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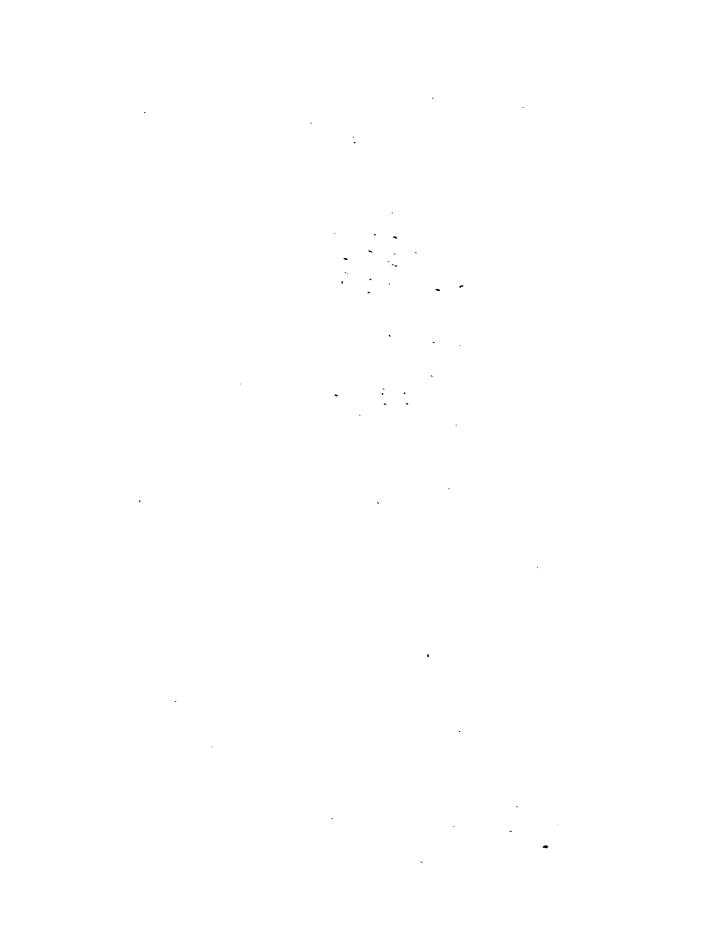
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IN

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OF THE

UNITED CHURCH

OF

ENGLAND AND IRELAND;

OFFERED TO THE ATTENTION OF

THE YOUNGER CLERGY,

AND

CANDIDATES FOR HOLY ORDERS:

WITH AN APPENDIX ON PRONUNCIATION, AND A SELECTION OF SCRIPTURE PROPER NAMES, MOST LIABLE TO BE VARIOUSLY PRONOUNCED.

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I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also.-- l Cor. xiv. 15.

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PREFACE.

THE members of the Church of England justly boast of their Liturgy, and affirm with truth that no Service has a greater tendency to answer the purposes of public worship. It is however certain, that this tendency is very much strengthened by means of a good delivery. But that our admirable Ritual is not thus enforced so frequently as it ought, is a complaint which is heard even among the sincere and zealous friends of the Established Church; and it is heard so often, that the justice of it cannot be doubted. It may therefore be useful to suggest to the candidates for the Sacred Office, as well as to those who have been recently admitted into it, some of the causes to which the imputed defect may be reasonably ascribed. Thus cautioned, they may be induced to pay more particular attention to the manner of officiating; so that they may individually vindicate the profession from reproach, and, through the divine blessing upon their ministry, may powerfully promote the interests of true religion.

I. An inefficient manner of delivering the Church-Service frequently originates in the opinions which many Clergymen entertain on the They conceive subject of public reading. that, as every body can read, it is not necessary to take previous care to qualify themselves for the effective discharge of this part of their official duties. They themselves perfectly understand what they read; but they are little aware, that to make the congregation, especially if it be numerous, hear and understand, is a task of considerable difficulty. Graceful and impressive reading is an accomplishment, which cannot be attained without submitting to the methods by which superiority is usually acquired in any of the arts or sciences. It is true indeed, that some persons are better gifted than others for gaining excellence; and with regard to reading, some naturally possess so much ease of utterance, so harmonious a voice, so correct an ear, that it seems as if they could not help reading well. But after allowing a few exceptions, it is absolutely certain, that, in general, instruction, study, and practice are indispensably requisite in acquiring an elegant and impressive delivery. It is likewise important to be remembered, that this accomplishment can generally be gained only in the early part of life, whilst the ear is

quick in perceiving, and the voice is capable of adopting, any suggested variations of tone.

II. Another erroneous notion frequently prevails, that seriousness and piety are alone wanting; and that if a Clergyman is earnest in the discharge of his duty, he cannot fail to be an impressive reader of the Church-Service. A serious and solemn manner is certainly indispensable; but when it is applied, with little meaning and with no variation, to a Service so varied in its subjects, the congregation may indeed be fully convinced of the piety of the Minister, but the monotonous solemnity of tones will inevitably prevent emotion, deaden attention, and produce drowsiness. And even if this heaviness of manner be avoided, still it sometimes happens, that, either through defect of early instruction, or entire inattention to the subject, a Clergyman, though possessing undoubted piety and great talents, may have acquired, in his mode of reading the Service, such a peculiarity, as not unfrequently excites the smiles of the giddy and thoughtless part of the congregation, and causes painful regret in the minds of the serious and devout.

III. The fear of being thought affected or theatrical, or of assuming an appearance of devo-

tion without feeling the reality, must be mentioned as another cause which tends to produce inefficient readers. But though every thing that savours of affectation or hypocrisy is highly disgusting, still the dull and feeble, or hurried and irreverent manner is not less injurious in its effects upon the hearers. If in the one case, they are disgusted with the minister, in the other they become wearied with the Service.

Another cause why an indifferent manner of reading is prevalent in the Church, may be found in the difficulty of retaining a good manner, in consequence of the constant repetition of the same forms. To repeat the same words over and over again, without insensibly falling into some improprieties,—without acquiring peculiar tones, which convey either no meaning at all, or a wrong meaning, requires constant and close attention. Hence it may be generally noticed, that those parts of the Service are recited best, which are recited least frequently; hence the Lessons are commonly better read, and the Lord's Prayer worse read, than any other part; and hence the number of Preachers possessing a good delivery will be found to be much greater, than that of graceful and impressive Readers.

Indeed, such is the effect of frequently repeating the same words, that even the best readers need the utmost watchfulness, lest, in the course of years, they fall into strange peculiarities and improprieties: and happy is the man who has friends, possessing the kindness, as well as the judgment, to point out these defects as they arise. To counteract the ill consequences resulting from the repetition of the same Service, Dr. Paley wisely tells us, that devotion must be the remedy; and this remedy, it may be added, is as needful for the minister as for the congregation.—Such are some of the causes, why an indifferent style of reading is prevalent in the Church.

I. On the other hand, the efficacy of good reading, in exciting the serious and devout feelings of the congregation, is exceedingly great. The Service assumes, as it were, a new character. The Lessons in particular, and more especially the Epistles and Gospels, when read with judgment and feeling, immediately arrest the attention of the hearers, and manifest the peculiar power of the Holy Scriptures to convince the understanding and penetrate the heart. Hence arises a strong encouragement to the Clergyman who possesses only moderate talents and attainments, but who is sincerely desirous

of discharging his duties to the best of his power. He is perhaps sensible, that his discourses from the Pulpit are frequently feeble and little calculated to move the minds of his flock. Let him take comfort in reflecting, that by diligent application, he still may become an impressive Reader; and, by his edifying manner of discharging the duties of the Desk, may prove "a good minister of Jesus Christ."

II. The importance of a good delivery will be still further evinced from considering some of the 'signs of the times.' It would perhaps be incorrect to say, that a disposition to undervalue the Liturgy belongs to the present more than to the preceding age; since to disregard the blessings which have been long possessed, is the common failing of our nature. But to consider the Sermon as infinitely more important than the Prayers, is an opinion which seems to be gaining ground at the present day among the members of the Established Church, and which appears not to be discountenanced even by some of its Ministers. It is not unusual to hear the Laity plead as an excuse for not attending the Afternoon Service, that 'there are only prayers.' Public worship appears to be a secondary object, and some congregations seem to consider the Church only as a house of

preaching *, little regarding its primary and most important character as a 'House of Prayer.' How far a dull, feeble, inaudible, or hurried mode of reading the Service, may have contributed to produce this erroneous notion, it would be difficult to determine; but that it tends very much to confirm and increase the mischief, cannot be denied. One method to which the young divine will resort for repressing it, will be always to use especial care in his manner of discharging the duties of Reader; thus affording a convincing proof of the great importance which he himself attaches to public worship, and the high estimation in which he holds the Liturgy of our own Church.

- III. The present period is also marked by the agreement of various parties in trying every method of vilifying and degrading the Clergy. Some of our enemies appear to be influenced by the desire of overthrowing the Established Church; whilst others have a more
- The word 'preaching' is here used according to its modern acceptation. Formerly it included all the duties of the clerical office, except ministering the Sacraments. See Hooker's Eccles. Polity, B. 5. In this sense it is used in the twenty-third article of our Church. In the Litany it appears to comprehend all the ministerial functions, when we pray that the Clergy "may, by their preaching and living, set forth the word of God, and show it accordingly."

extended object; and aim at the subversion of Christianity itself. But whatever be their motives, all are sharp-sighted in spying out the least appearance of defect in our Clerical body; and they will gladly refer to an unmeaning or careless mode of reading the Service as a proof either of insincerity and hypocrisy, or of indolence and incapacity, and an inferiority to other classes in the very qualifications which the Clerical Office requires. Every Clergyman therefore must at the present moment feel himself impelled by more than the usual motives, to emert his especial care as to his manner of ministering in the congregation; so that, on this point at least, "the mouths of gainsayers may be stopped."

IV. Among the peculiarities of the present times it must likewise be mentioned, that the study of Elocution is daily becoming more general. In several large schools, especially in and near the Metropolis, professed teachers of Elocution are regularly employed. Several elementary treatises on this branch of education have been published, some of which have passed rapidly through many editions. The necessary consequence is, that the number of competent judges is every day increasing, and the difference between good and bad reading is more

generally perceived. The Clergyman must therefore strive to keep pace with this improvement in the public taste, unless he be content to incur the blame of being feeble and inefficient in a very important branch of his public duties.—That a greater zeal prevails among the Clergy of the present day than existed thirty years ago, seems to be universally admitted; and that this will necessarily show itself in the discharge of every part of their Sacred Office, and therefore naturally produce some improvement in the style of reading the Service, must be readily and joyfully allowed, But zeal alone will not suffice to make a good Reader, without the knowledge of some of the principles of elocution. The most zealous may derive assistance from the rules of art, and be better enabled to redeem the Church from the obloquy under which it still labours, respecting the manner in which our admirable Ritual is generally delivered.

V. The importance of good reading as a clerical qualification is still further evident from the fact, that a deficiency in this accomplishment will often prevent a Clergyman from obtaining any opportunity of labouring in his vocation. At the present period, when the members of the profession are more than

usually numerous, it not unfrequently happens, that if a young man chances to lose the curacy on which he was ordained, though he may be unexceptionable in morals, possessed of much theological learning, and anxious to be useful in his calling, yet being inefficient in his manner of discharging the duties in the Desk as well as in the Pulpit, many years elapse without his being able to obtain any permanent professional employment. In the mean time, others, who are inferior to him in every respect except in the possession of a good delivery, never wait long before their services are sought.

The importance of a good elocution in the discharge of the ministerial duties, has not escaped the notice of our Prelates in modern times. It was felt most deeply by the late excellent Bishop Porteus, who was himself a model of elegant and impressive delivery. Lamenting that no part of Academical education had any tendency to produce it, he instituted prizes for its encouragement, in Christ's College, Cambridge, in which he had been educated. The institution, it is thought, has been productive of some beneficial effect. Similar encouragement to good reading has likewise been held out in a few other Colleges of the same Univer-

sity. It is however said, that general propriety of conduct, and regularity in attendance at chapel, go far in influencing the adjudication of the rewards. Be this as it may, prizes will be of little use, unless the students are supplied with instruction as to the means by which they are to deserve the prizes. In all other branches of Academical education, the tutor teaches, the pupil attains excellence, and excellence is rewarded. But the aspirants to the prizes in elocution are left unassisted, it being presumed that they have been sufficiently instructed at school.

In this state of affairs, it will afford heart-felt satisfaction to all who are duly aware of the importance of the subject, to find, that it is attracting an increased share of Episcopal attention. It appears that in the diocese of Salisbury, the candidates for Holy Orders, previously to any inquiry respecting theological attainments, are "examined as to their qualifications in the reading of the Liturgy and the delivery of sermons, by commissioners appointed by the Bishop." From so judicious a plan, very great benefit may be justly expected; as it will compel the candidates to study a subject, which has hitherto been greatly neglected. Nor will the hope that the plan may

be universally adopted, appear chimerical to those who have observed the active seal in the tause of religion which characterizes the Bishops of the present day.

To this anxiety for the encouragement of whatever aims at being useful to the sacred cause, the author of these pages wholly and gratefully ascribes the permission to dedicate his humble labours to an eminent Prelate, and to place them under the sanction of his much-respected name.

It is worthy of remark, that a similar regulation exists in the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America. Before Ordination, the candidate "is required to perform such exercises in reading, in the presence of the Bishop and Clergy, as may enable him to give him such advice and instruction, as may aid him in performing the Service of the Church, and in delivering his sermons with propriety and devotion."

But for this exercise, the candidate has been previously prepared. In the course of learn-

^{*} See the extracts from its Canons, given in the Appendix to Bishop Hobart's Discourse, recently published.

ing which is pursued in the General Theological Seminary of the United States, are included " Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence:--explaining and enforcing the qualifications and duties of the clerical office; and including the performance of the service of the church; and the composition and delivery of sermons." This department is under the direction of a " Professor of Pastoral Theology and Pulpit Eloquence." In consequence of Bishop Hobart's discourse, in which "the United States of America are compared with some European countries, particularly England," some useful discussion may probably arise. The spirit of improvement is strongly at work in our Universities; and an expectation may be confidently entertained, that they will not decline any seasonable advice, though it come from their younger sister at New York.

In the interval before the adoption of some general system for the improvement of Clerical elocution, the author humbly hopes that he may be usefully employed in offering such aids to the student as may be communicated by the pen. He is the more induced to make the present attempt from the consideration (see Introduction, p. 2.), that the works of preceding writers have not superseded the possibility of

supplying Clerical students with further assistance*. His attention has for many years been directed to the subject. In the course of his engagements as an instructor of young persons in various branches of classical education, he has been accustomed to assist them occasionally in the study of elocution. His official situation, has afforded him frequent opportunities of hearing the best Readers that the Universities, the Chapels Royal, and the Metropolis supply. On these grounds he ventures to hope, that he cannot justly incur the

After the present pages had been committed to the press, the author accidentally discovered that Mr. Smart's "Theory and Practice of Elocution," a work to which he so frequently refers, has been recently republished with an Appendix, containing "Practical Aids for reading the Liturgy." The author of the present attempt trusts, however, that sufficient diference will be found to exist between the two works, to justify him in proceeding to publish the result of his labours. The above-mentioned 'Appendix' being arranged for the use of the writer's clerical pupils, fewer accents and other assistances are inserted, than it is presumed would have been supplied for the use of those who could not enjoy the further advantage of oral instruction. But the present work having been intended to supply the want of a living teacher, more accents, more mechanical aid, and more minuteness of explanation were considered to be necessary. The prefatory remarks likewise on Clerical Reading, and the introduction of the Sacramental and Burial Services, constitute a further and material distinction between the two works.

imputation of conceit and arrogance in offering a few suggestions on the subject of reading the Liturgy, to young men who are on the point of presenting themselves for Ordination. During their residence in the University, their time is absorbed in studies more peculiar to Academical education: thence they are immediately summoned to perform the duties of public reading and preaching, for which, as far as respects delivery, they are often very indifferently prepared.

To render the present work more deserving of their attention, the author has selected from the publications of the best writers on the Liturgy, such remarks as relate to the elucidation of doubtful passages, and to the general manner of officiating. He has also derived many observations, connected with the object in view, from the works of professed writers on Elocution. In truth, he has devoted much time and pains to render these pages worthy of the student's notice; for being, by defect of health, disabled from discharging his usual public duties, he considers the present as one way which a gracious Providence still permits him to be subordinately useful, by endeavouring to extend the utility of his Clerical brethren. He hopes by the pen to supply the

failure of voice, and to be enabled to speak in the Church with the mouth of others, though silence is at present imposed upon his own. He is fully aware that his labours are liable to be held up to ridicule; and he expects to be reminded of the poet's sarcastic description of the reverend Doctor in former days, who undertook

"To sell accent, tone, And emphasis in score, and give to prayer Th' adagio and andante it demands."

To such attacks he feels himself indifferent, through the consciousness of good intentions and a sincere desire of being useful. But certainly he is most anxious to obviate the serious objections of the devout Christian, who may be apprehensive that attention to rules of reading must necessarily destroy the minister's devotion. Admitting that the first attempts at improved delivery may take off the individual's mind from his own devotional feelings, still, if he at all succeeds in making the congregation more attentive to the meaning of what they are repeating or hearing, he is doing much towards exciting their devotion; and with respect to himself, that consideration about rules, which at first may be apt to occupy him, will soon wear off; a judicious manner will become habitual and perfectly easy; and his mind being left at full liberty to follow the sentiment, he will prove, by his manner of delivering it, that he himself feels it at his heart.

The author would further remark, that he is acting upon the very same plan that is not unfrequently adopted by many among his elder brethren. Do they not occasionally consider themselves called upon to give a word of advice to their juniors, as to the best mode of delivering certain parts of the Service? Such hints are often highly useful;—but when the novice first attempts to reduce the advice to practice, his mind must at the moment, and probably for some moments before, be thinking of the rule, and losing sight of devotion. Practice however will soon correct all this. In the present work, a similar plan of suggesting advice to juniors is ventured upon, differing chiefly in this particular, that the directions are more numerous; and, by being committed to the press, may have a chance of more extended utility.

Having offered these considerations in order to obviate some of the objections which may naturally arise, it may be useful, before entering upon an explanation of the system adopted in the present work, to enumerate some common defects in reading, against which the student must carefully guard.

- I. The most usual defect in the reading of young Clergymen, is excessive rapidity; and its natural consequence, indistinctness. It is a mistake to suppose that the smooth but quick delivery, which is very audible and very agreeable in a room, can with propriety be adopted in reading the Service in a church which is of considerable dimensions, and frequently very badly constructed for public speaking. Louder tones are in such places absolutely necessary; to maintain which, a more frequent respiration is required; and to render the words intelligible at a distance, a slower enunciation must be adopted. Indeed, universal experience teaches, that it is not those whose voices are loudest that are best understood by distant hearers, but those whose utterance is deliberate, distinct, and equable *.
- * Mr. Jones, in his Life of Bishop Horne, speaking of the preaching of Bishop Hinchcliffe, says, "It was remarkable, and, to those who did not know the cause, mysterious, that there was not a corner of the church in which he could not be heard distinctly." The reason, as Mr. Jones supposes, was, that the Bishop made it an invariable rule, "to do justice to every consonant, knowing that the vowels will be sure to speak for themselves."

Besides, it must be remembered, that a rapid delivery is incompatible with solemnity, and therefore is wholly unsuited to the character of Public Worship.

The recollection of these facts may be useful to those who undertake the duties of reading and preaching several times in one day. To be enabled to preach with energy, they sometimes feel obliged to reserve their strength whilst in the Desk; and, in consequence, are apt to fall into a dull, feeble, and sometimes a hurried and careless manner of reading; thereby exciting a notion in the minds of the congregation, (who are, in general, very little aware of the exhaustion which is produced by a long continuance of loud reading,) that their Minister is indifferent to the importance of the Service, and insensible to its excellence; or that he is impatient to ascend the Pulpit, that he may have a better opportunity for the exercise of his talents. As the hearers are well acquainted with most parts of the Ritual, the Reader certainly need not use so much exertion of voice as is required of him when he becomes the Preacher; but still, in all parts of the Service, the delivery must always be properly deliberate and solemn: and if it be but distinct, it will in most churches be sufficiently

audible. But for a hurried, slovenly manner, there can be no excuse.

In endeavouring to avoid the defect of rapidity, the student must not think with some that he has attained his object, merely by introducing very long pauses at the end of every sentence. He must be reminded, that each sentence requires pauses of different lengths in various parts of it, besides the principal one at the conclusion; and that the length of those pauses must be proportioned to the general rate of utterance.

II. Another common defect in young Readers, (perhaps in many Readers and Preachers* at every period of life), is the dropping of the voice so much at the end of every sentence as to become inaudible to those of the congre-

* This defect among preachers sometimes arises from a very obvious cause. Whilst they are pronouncing the concluding words of a sentence, they are looking down to their manuscript, to see what is the beginning of the next sentence. From this change in the position of the head and neck, the voice receives a different direction, and is likewise considerably suppressed. This habit may be corrected by making it a rule to continue looking at those who are addressed, till each sentence is concluded. The pauses between the sentences may perhaps in consequence, be somewhat lengthened; but this will frequently be an advantage.

gation who are a little removed. This defect often arises from a misinterpretation of the common rule in reading, which directs, that at the end of most sentences the voice should be lowered. Lowered it may be as to its place on the musical scale in relation to the note with which the sentence began; but not always lowered in point of loudness and force. The last words of a sentence are frequently the most important of all; and, instead of being uttered in an under tone and feeble manner. require the utmost distinctness and energy. Observe the mode of managing the voice which nature dictates in private or public dis-The loudest and firmest tones will cussions. often be heard in pronouncing the concluding words.—The defect in question frequently arises likewise from neglecting to introduce sufficient pauses between the parts of a sentence, in consequence of an erroneous notion that one inspiration must suffice for one sentence. Such Readers draw in a full breath, commence in a loud, vigorous tone, run on at a rapid rate, attending very little to punctuation, however correct, and utterly regardless of introducing additional pauses, which may add clearness and strength to the meaning; thus they proceed, with tones becoming weaker and weaker, till the breath is exhausted, and

the sentence ends, wholly inaudible to most of the congregation. One method of remedying this defect, especially in the delivery of long sentences, is to search out a fit place for pausing and respiration somewhere within a short distance of the end of the sentence:—recruited by a fresh supply of breath, the Reader is enabled to conclude with distinctness and suitable force.—In connexion with this part of the subject, both Readers and Preachers should remember the old rule,—" Take care of the end of the sentence: the beginning will take care of itself."

- III. Some Readers, in their anxiety to avoid the faults of rapidity and indistinctness, fall into a drawling and whining manner;—a defect to which the most zealous and most serious seem particularly exposed, and which makes the congregation inattentive and drowsy.
- IV. Others adopt a stately and pompous style; which, though much admired by those hearers who think more of sound than sense, is extremely offensive to the more intelligent, humble-minded, and devout. Its impropriety may not be striking when employed in reading the sublime language of the Prophets; but it will be generally felt to be utterly unsuitable in delivering the greater part of the Service,

particularly in repeating the Confession that we are miserable sinners, in uttering supplications for mercy to penitent offenders, as well as in reciting the plain narratives of Scripture. In truth, it is highly important to remember that one manner will not suit all parts of the Service. This remark naturally leads to the notice of another defect;—

V. The unvaried manner:—this fault may sometimes be observed in the delivery of those who are generally considered to be good readers. Their demeanour may be solemn and devout; their articulation, clear and distinct; their general style, easy and unaffected; but still they are dull and unimpressive, and consequently, the hearers become listless and inattentive. This arises from want of variety. The humble supplications of the Litany, the ardent adoration of the Te Deum, the awful injunctions of the Decalogue, the lofty prophecies of the Old Testament, the simple unadorned narratives of the New-all are delivered in one unvaried manner. Many Clergymen, doubtless, adopt this uniformity upon principle, conceiving that the style of reading which accommodates itself to the subject, and which they would consider to be proper on all other occasions, is to be excluded from the Church, as unsuited to the solemnity of the place and the dignity of the sacred office. But it appears wholly inexplicable, why that mode of delivery which is found on all other occasions to convey the meaning with perspicuity, and to affect the minds of the hearers in the most powerful manner, should be banished from public worship, where to excite the feelings is of still higher importance.

What is it that renders the prayers of the most elequent among dissenting ministers so highly impressive, and excites the admiration of the Churchman who hears them for the first time? It is not the mere language which produces the effect: impartial judges even among Dissenters admit, that, in point of composition, nothing can be superior to many parts of the Liturgy. Nor is novelty the sole cause. though undoubtedly it has its weight. But the chief cause will be found in the solemn tones. the lengthened pauses, the devout earnestness. which characterize the delivery, and which are in perfect accordance with the mentiment. Variety of subject forms an admirable sharacteristic in our Church Service; and that it requires a corresponding variety of manner in

the Minister, appears most agreeable to the dictates of common sense. This opinion is confirmed by the fact, that those Readers are found to be most successful in keeping up the attention, and exciting serious and devotional feelings, who can best adapt their manner to the sentiment. To attain this art, a happy combination must concur of a clear head, a feeling heart, and a considerable flexibility of voice. The best general rule is, to study previously the sentiments which are to be delivered, so as fully to understand the true meaning, and then endeavour to suit the manner of delivery to the matter, and occasionally to the character of the person whose words are recited. A disregard of this latter particular is often very offensive. What can be more so, than to hear the language of the meek and lowly Jesus, delivered with a stern, haughty, authoritative tone? "In our blessed Lord's discourses and instructions. (says Paley) all was calmness. No emotions. no violence, no agitation, when he delivered the most sublime and affecting doctrines, and most comfortable or most terrifying predictions. The prophets before him fainted and sunk under the communications which they received from above; so strong was their impression, so unequal their strength: but truths that overwhelmed the serounts of God, were familiar to

his Son." (Paley's Sermons, edited by E. Paley. Vol. ii. p. 34.)

This striking peculiarity in our Lord's discourses and instructions, should be carefully remembered by the Minister when he reads them to his flock. Every thing that savours of boisterousness or violence, of pomposity or haughtiness of manner, should be studiously avoided. Such a style is indeed unsuited to every part of the Service, but it is more especially disgusting when adopted in reciting the words of our heavenly Master. Let the manner on such occasions be particularly mild, tranquil, and dignified.

To the Clergyman who has been engaged a few years in his Sacred Office, it may appear unnecessary, previously to look over the Lessons which he is about to read in the Church. But, though he may have a general recollection of the contents of them, and may be perfectly aware of what manner will be best suited to the subject, still it frequently happens, that a preparatory reading will recall the full meaning of many passages, which cannot be clearly conveyed to the hearers without considerable skill in the Reader; and i twill indeed often suggest ideas which never occurred before.

When such passages present themselves unexpectedly, even the best of Readers often inadequately express the sentiment; and feel regret at having omitted a previous examination. The student will find himself much assisted by marking in his own Prayer Book and Bible, with the requisite inflections and notation, such parts in the Epistles and Gospels, and in the fixed Sunday Lessons, as require more than common care in the reading:—a single inspection of these marked passages at any subsequent period, will be sufficient to recall the whole to his recollection. Let him not however content himself with merely perusing the above-mentioned parts of the Service; but let him adopt the rule of always reading them aloud in private, before he delivers them in the Church. To him who is new to the profession, this previous study and practice should be extended to all parts of the Service. By study he will acquire clear notions of the general manner of delivery that is best suited to the respective portions, and of the particular manner of reading by which the true meaning of particular passages may be rendered most clear and impressive; and, by recitations in his closet, he will fix right habits so firmly, as to be able to retain them with ease to himself, notwithstanding the tremor and nervous

feeling, which usually attend the novice in the discharge of public duties.

VI. But in attempting to avoid the monotonous, unmeaning manner, there is danger of falling into the opposite extreme, and becoming laboured and formal. Anxious to read feelingly and impressively, some persons will emphasize too much. To adopt the very sensible remarks of the Bishop of Jamaica in his primary Charge,—"The matchless simplicity of Scripture is frequently overlaid by too great an anxiety to give it weight and dignity. . . . By intending to be very impressive, the injudicious reader often produces a contrary effect. By elahorately taking too much pains, he fails in the very object proposed." See the Charge, 1825, p. 7.

VII. Others, in their endeavours not to be monotonous, incur the fault of being theatrical. Studying to suit the manner to the sentiment, they become either too vehement and impassioned, or too colloquial and familiar. In reading a Scripture narrative, in which sometimes a dramatic form is maintained, they will adopt a striking difference of voice to suit the respective characters, and become actors rather than readers. The great difficulty is, to know

where to draw the line between a sober, chastened adaptation of manner to subject, and animated dramatic recitation. Here, discretion and right feeling alone can guide.

VIII. The last error against which the student must be warned, is that of allowing his attention to be so engrossed by the manner of delivery, as to manifest an appearance of self-complacency, as if he conceived he was performing his duties prodigiously well! Against such vanity let him most carefully guard, as being on every account highly offensive. Let him remember, that this self-sufficiency cannot elude the notice of the Congregation, and must powerfully tend to check that devout and serious impression, which he wishes to produce. Godly sincerity, a due sense of his own manifold sins and deficiencies, and of the awful responsibility under which he is placed, must prove the most powerful preservative against all appearance of a vain and self-satisfied demeanour. "His care will be" (to adopt the language of an Irish Prelate) "to read our inimitable Form of Prayer as if he prayed himself, and earnestly desired that his congregation should pray with him. purpose will be best answered by a manner that indicates more fear of appearing too careless, than apprehensive of being thought too devout

—showing as strongly as he can, that his prayers come from his heart; and to do this, there is no method effectual but lending truly his heart to what he says *."—In truth, he must consider it his duty, not merely to read the prayers well, or to say the prayers well, but he must, at the same time, pray himself.

In his endeavours to follow this advice, he will be much aided by adopting the plan, recommended by Mr. Sheridan †, of delivering the service from memory. "I know," says that ingenious author, "that this method will be attended with some difficulty at first; as they who have been always accustomed to the assistance of the book, may lose their presence of mind when deprived of that aid, and not be able to repeat even what is perfectly roted in the memory;—like persons accustomed to swim with the help of corks, who would immediately sink, if they were deprived of them. Nay, I have known some Clergymen so exceedingly timid in that respect, that they never could venture to deliver even the Lord's Prayer before the sermon, without having it written The way to get the better of such apdown.

Charge of the Bishop of Leighlin and Ferns, 1824.

⁺ Father of the late distinguished senator and dramatist.

prehension will be, to practise it first in private family-duties; and when they find they can perform it there without difficulty, they will be emboldened (gradually) to do the same in public worship also. But for their further security, they may for some time (perhaps constantly, to prevent accidents), turn over the leaves of the Service as they advance, to have the passage before them which they are reciting, to which they may have recourse in case they should at any time find themselves at a loss. Every Clergyman will, upon trial, find that this change of mode will not only produce excellent effects on the congregation, but will be the source of a perpetual fund of satisfaction to himself. For as nothing can be more irksome than the drudgery and weariness arising from going over continually one and the same settled Service, in the usual cold and mechanical way; so nothing can cause greater inward satisfaction than praying from the heart; as all must have felt who pray earnestly in their private devotions. How much more pleasing must it be to a Pastor, when he not only feels himself the delight arising from a pure and rational devotion, but reflects that he is communicating sensations of the same kind to his flock; and by so doing takes the most effectual method to recover the strayed, and

conduct the rest in the right way *." Every one who has adopted the plan here suggested, will have felt its great advantages, and will most heartily concur in acknowledging the truth of the writer's concluding remarks.

After having thus cautioned the student against various defects, and suggested to him various remedies, he may naturally ask, by what means he may discover the defects observable in his own mode of reading. task of discovery is indeed difficult, but not insuperable, provided it be undertaken with a real desire of improvement. If a professed Teacher of Elocution, one of acknowledged eminence in his art, be within reach, his opinion can immediately be obtained as to the existence of gross defects, as well as his aid, if necessary, in conquering them. Nor will the Clergyman who is earnest in his attempts at improvement, allow a false and foolish pride to prevent him from seeking such aid. It has been cheerfully sought, at the commencement of their pastoral labours, by many pious and eminent Divines, who have thereby acquired a skill in the management of the voice, a distinctness, and grace, and force of delivery,

^{*} Sheridan's Lectures, p. 282.

which have contributed to extend the usefulness of their ministry. If professional instruction cannot be obtained, still the young Clergyman may ascertain some facts for himself. He may easily discover whether his congregation consider his delivery too slow or too fast, too loud or too low; whether in every part of the Service he is audible by all; whether the aged, in particular, can hear the Lessons. But whether or not he is free from the other defects which have been enumerated, such as the pompous, theatrical, the dull, droning, or affected manner, it will not be so easy to ascertain the general opinion; as these are rather matters of taste, respecting which the judgments of his hearers will vary. Besides, few would choose to express their sentiments to the individual himself on these delicate points. Here the assistance of a judicious friend may be extremely useful. Nor will it be so difficult, as may be imagined, to find those who are competent to give a just opinion. For it is in reading as in other arts: a man may be a tolerably good judge of reading, though a very indifferent reader himself: he may be able to give a very correct opinion respecting the style of others, as well as respecting the effect likely to be produced upon the generality of hearers.

For the student's encouragement it must be added, that if he diligently strive to improve his reading, he may be assured that improvement will follow. With regard even to those natural impediments, which are sometimes pleaded in excuse for an inefficient delivery of Divine Service, (such as an indifferent voice, an inarticulate utterance, an imperfect pronunciation of certain letters, &c.), a distinguished Prelate has justly remarked, that "no one can tell how much may be done in the way of improvement, till he has tried all the various aids of advice, and practice, and careful study, with prayer for the assistance of God's Holy Spirit *." It is readily admitted, that Rules cannot make a finished reader: to produce such a character, a rare combination must concur of talent, feeling, and bodily powers. But moderate capabilities are the average lot: and these, through the wise constitution of our nature, are in early life always improvable. It may, therefore, be affirmed with truth, that to become a moderately good reader; capable of delivering the Service in a solemn, earnest, and impressive manner, is placed within the power of every young Clergyman.

^{*} Bishop Blomfield's Primary Charge, p. 19.

Before concluding these prefatory observations, it is necessary to call the student's attention to the following very important remark, derived from a writer to whose publications frequent reference is made in the course of the present work:

" In pronouncing the Liturgy with the pauses, accents (inflections), and emphases recommended, there must be nothing obtrusive in the manner of delivery, no apparent effort to produce effect, no appearance of being guided by art, nor indeed any consciousness of art while the Reader is in the actual performance of his duty: he must not then be balancing the inflections or weighing the emphases, but lose sight of the means, and trust entirely to the improved habit he has acquired for securing the end A very slavish obedience to any prescribed mode of reading is not needful; and the truth is, that as a large proportion of sentences may be modulated with strict propriety in more ways than one, a reader is scarcely master of his art who does not sometimes vary even from himself*."

[•] It must be carefully remembered, that this remark is intended to be applied solely to the *modulation*, that is, to the arrangement of those secondary inflections which serve only to prepare for each other, and for those *principal* inflec-

- As the works of several writers on Elocution have acquired a considerable circulation, the present volume may fall into the hands of some, who, having been already well versed in the system, will instantly understand all that the author intends. Even to such readers, he trusts that his labours may offer some advantage; for, though they may be very good readers, still they may not hitherto have examined the Liturgy with sufficient minuteness; and having been accustomed to hear it from their infancy, the true and full meaning of many passages may have been passed over without due consideration, and the different characters belonging to the different parts, may, from constant repetition, have escaped their notice. A reference to the notes will show them those instances which demand the Minister's peculiar care.—Some readers perhaps may be unable to distinguish the difference of the inflections, or may feel difficulty in applying them according to the notation. To such the present work may still be useful. by its suggestions respecting the pauses, and

tions "which are prescribed by the construction, and are therefore of a determinate character;" and which cannot be changed without producing a change of meaning. See Smart's Practice of Elocution, 2d edition, p. 41; also p. 15, of the present Work.

the general manner of delivery, suited to the several parts of the Service. And even if they should not concur with the author in the propriety of some of the directions, still they cannot fail to be benefited by having been induced to enter upon a careful and minute examination of the English Liturgy;—concerning which a competent and an impartial judge, a learned Dissenter from our Church, has pronounced, that it is "a work almost universally esteemed by the devout and pious of every denomination, and the greatest effort of the Reformation, next to the translation of the Scriptures into the English language *." The pious Minister who takes the pains to institute a fair comparison between our Book of Common Prayer and the Liturgies from which it was compiled, will be convinced that this is no exaggerated praise.

Let then this acknowledged superiority of our Liturgy form a powerful motive for not debasing it by a feeble or careless delivery. Culpable indeed must be our indifference, if we pronounce in a cold and lifeless manner

^{*} See Dr. Adam Clarke's General Preface to his edition of the Holy Scriptures, p. xxiv.

this sublime Ritual,—so admirably adapted to kindle in our own hearts a sacred flame, which may be quickly communicated to the hearts of our congregations.

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INTRODUCTION.

1. Instruction in reading the Church-service is best conveyed by oral communication; but when the assistance of a professed Teacher cannot be obtained, considerable advantage may be derived from following the directions. which books supply. That part of Mr. Sheridan's "Lectures on the Art of Reading," which relates to the Liturgy, drew much attention from the Clergy; as, however, he had failed to remark those upward and downward slides in which the speaking voice is constantly moving, many of his directions respecting emphasis are vague and useless. At a subsequent period, the public were presented with an account of "The manner in which the Common Prayer was read in private by the late Mr. Garrick." This publication supplied some useful directions with respect to the Clergyman's deportment in the desk, and the general manner of delivery, suited to the several parts of the service; but it afforded no instruction with regard to the mode of reading particular passages so

as to display the meaning with the greatest clearness and force. Here the labours of Mr. Walker in his "Elements of Elocution" and his "Rhetorical Grammar," have proved essentially useful. He was the first to direct the public notice to the two important inflections (for an explanation of which see p. 7), and, by his notation, gave a considerable degree of precision to the rules of Elocution. No use however of these improvements was made in the Rev. Mr. Faulkner's little work, professedly arranged from Sheridan's Art of Reading, and entitled "Strictures on Reading the Church Service." Room therefore was still left for something better. This was supplied a few years ago by Mr. Wright, in his work, entitled "The Philosophy of Elocution, elucidated and exemplified by Readings of the Liturgy of the Church." This production contains much valuable matter; yet it may be doubted whether in the reading of the supplicatory parts of the service, he has not adopted a mode incompatible with strength and harmony *. Besides.

This author lays down a rule, that "all supplications require their terminating accents to be accompanied with suitable rising inflections of voice;" and as his system does not direct that antithetic words should be distinguished by opposite inflections, but only by different elevation of similar inflections, the consequence is that the falling inflection is

many passages of the Liturgy, may, from various causes, be understood in various senses, and therefore may afford fair subject for difference of opinion with respect to the best mode of reading them.

2. In the belief that something more may still be done, by means of written instructions,

entirely excluded from all prayers, properly so called. Hence a sameness of tone will, unless the reader is very skilful, be apt to prevail, as well as a want of significancy and force. For example: the conclusion of the Lord's prayer is directed to be read thus: "Léad us not into temptation, but deliver us from évil." In these sentences, 'temptation,' and 'evil,' are placed in strong contradistinction: "Lead us not into temptátion; but (if we must be thus tried), deliver us from evil." Now as 'temptation' ends a negative sentence, it requires to be pronounced with the rising inflection, according to the general rule; therefore as 'temptation' receives the rising inflection, 'evil' which is opposed to it, ought to have the falling inflection, agreeably to the rule given by Walker, and followed by other writers. On the contrary, Mr. Wright directs that 'evil' should be pronounced with the rising inflection, but rising less than on 'temptation,' in conformity with his rules respecting the manner of reading supplications and antithetic sentences. Which of these two methods of delivering the above passage will display the meaning with the greater clearness and force, must be left to the judgment of those who have given some attention to the study of Elocution. At the same time, it is admitted that the rule for the terminating of supplications with the rising inflection may be just, except where contradistinction is expressed or implied. See p. 28, Rule xii.

towards the promotion of an edifying reading of the Church-service, the following work has been composed. The author humbly aspires at exciting the attention of some among his juniors who may not hitherto have sufficiently considered, how very much the usefulness of their labours may be increased by the manner of officiating. He has, as before stated, spared no pains to render the work deserving of their attention. If, after all his care, it should be found, that rules cannot afford much assistance without the additional aid of a living Teacher, every one who duly feels the importance of the subject, will concur in hoping, that, before many years be elapsed, all the students in our Universities who are intended for the pastoral office, may enjoy the vivâ voce instructions of a "professor of pulpit eloquence *."

^{*} Further remarks on this subject will be found near the conclusion of the Preface.

THE INFLECTIONS.

3. It is of primary importance that the reader should acquire an accurate knowledge of the two Inflections, which were first described by Mr. Walker in his "Elements of Elocution." But before proceeding to give the requisite explanation of them, it may be necessary to notice some objections which may naturally arise against the use of the system. In doing so, let the original inventor be allowed to speak for himself.—" It may perhaps be objected that an attention to these inflections when marked upon paper, will be apt to embarrass the reader, whose mind ought to be entirely occupied by the sense of what he is reading. A similar objection might be made against punctuation, the utility of which is, however, generally admitted. The truth is, that every novelty of plan is apt to perplex; and if we have learned an art in an imperfect manner,

the means of facilitating a more perfect acquisition of it, will at first retard our progress. For those who already read well, this system of inflections is not intended. What help do they need who are sufficiently perfect? It is to him who is desirous of improving his delivery—to him who is in doubt as to the most effectual method of conveying the meaning of a passage, that this assistance is recommended: and it may with confidence be asserted, that if such a one will but bestow half the time to acquire a knowledge of these inflections which is usually spent in learning the gamut, he will have no reason to repent his labour."

If the student is gifted with a tolerably good ear, enabling him immediately to perceive, and readily to imitate, the difference of speaking sounds, he will find little difficulty in the system. At first his attempts to follow the notation may appear rather stiff and awkward; but a little practice will remove these defects, and give ease, smoothness, and harmony.

It is necessary to premise, that no clear judgment can be formed of the several examples respecting inflections except by pronouncing them aloud: *silent* reading will not answer the purpose.

4. The voice when in the act of speaking may be observed to be constantly moving up-

ward or downward through a certain number of notes on the musical scale. These ascents and descents are by modern writers on Elocution, styled "the rising and falling inflections."

The rising inflection is denoted by the acute accent ('); and the falling inflection by the grave accent (').

The difference of the two inflections will be perceived in reading aloud the following sentence:

E'loquence ànimates.

In pronouncing these words, the voice appears to slide upwards on eloquence, and downwards on animates. This will become very apparent, if the words are uttered distinctly and deliberately, without any sudden jerk or violent effort. The trial does not require forcible utterance; for inflection is not emphasis: inflection means the upward or downward slide of the voice; whereas emphasis, according to the common meaning of the term, refers to the degree of force which accompanies the utterance of the inflection. Thus, in the above example, each of the words might be pronounced with more or less of emphasis, but still the inflection would continue the same, provided the same direct meaning were intended to be conveyed.

5. In order to acquire a facility in applying

the inflections so as to be able to read fluently according to the notation, the student should accustom himself to repeat a succession of detached words (the list of words in the Appendix to this work will answer his purpose) first pronouncing each word with the rising, then with the falling inflection; then with the falling and rising alternately, &c. This plan is suggested by Mr. Smart; and his remarks on the subject are so just, that I beg leave to present them to my readers; at the same time strongly recommending the ingenious publication from which they are borrowed, as a most useful manual *. "Let it be his (the student's) object to acquire the power of uttering one or other of the inflections at pleasure. This will at first be attended with no slight difficulty: though determined perhaps to use the downward inflection, the idea of continuation will prevail and cause him to use the other in spite of himself: being sensible of his failure, he will make a second trial, and probably imagine, because he has pronounced the word in a lower or softer tone, that he has altered the inflection: this however does not necessarily follow; for the same inflection may be pitched very high or very low, and it may be uttered very

^{*} Theory and Practice of Elocution.

gently or very forcibly. To avoid these mistakes, he must, during some time, use the following form of a question as a test: 'Did I say strange or strange? By this he will be instinctively impelled to utter the word, first. with an upward, then with a downward slide, and to know, by comparison, in which manner he had previously uttered it. After some time the ear will become familiar with the slides, and the test may be laid aside. Having them now entirely at command, he must exercise his voice in carrying them, as far as possible, from one extreme to the other, something in the manner of a singer running the gamut from low to high, and high to low. Let him also vary their motion, making them sometimes. rapid and sometimes slow. Such an exercise on detached words will probably be thought a little ridiculous, but the student may rest confident of its utility. It will not only give him a clear feeling of the tones he ought to use, but will add flexibility to his voice, and remove from it any unpleasant monotony: for what is called a monotonous voice, is not, in fact, a voice that never gets above or below one musical key, but one which is incapable of taking a sufficient compass in its inflections." See Smart's Practice of Elocution, p. 4.

6. Even in calm conversation the inflections may be perceived upon the accented syllable of the most important words, and immediately before pauses. They are generally rendered very perceptible when contradistinction is expressed, and still more so when it is implied; for then the speaker gives emphasis, or particular stress, to some particular word or words, and frequently accompanies it by a peculiar combination of the two inflections upon the same syllable, which combination is denominated the circumflex. See p. 44.

The inflections will likewise be more or less distinguishable according to the nature and degree of passion that is thrown into the discourse. In slow and distinct speaking or reading, they will become clearly observable; so that it is possible, by aid of the notation used in the present system, to describe accurately not only the inflections on the principal words, but every inflection that is adopted by a deliberate speaker. Thus, in reading slowly the following sentence, the inflections would, by most persons, be thus arranged:

Módulàtion-in-spéaking dèsérves-our-attèntion.

7. To those who are acquainted with musical notation, the subject may be further illustrated by expressing on the five lines all the inflections in the above example *:



In pronouncing this sentence, the voice slides gently upwards on the two first syllables of the word modulation, and then descends with forcible accent through its remaining syllables together with the unaccented preposition. It then reascends on the word speaking to a higher note than it reached at its first ascent. After a slight pause, it passes feebly downward on the unaccented syllable de; rises again with renewed force on serves; passes quickly upwards through the unaccented syllables; and concludes by descending on the last portion of the final word to a note lower than that with which the sentence began. The tapering of the marks in the above example, is intended to shew that the force of pronunciation which begins upon the accented syllable, gradually decreases in pronouncing the unaccented ones.

- 8. The extent to which these inflections are carried upwards or downwards, as well as the degree of force used in their application, will
- * This mode of illustration is adopted, with slight alterations, from Mr. Smart's, ingenious work, p. 54.

depend upon the ear, and likewise upon the state of the feelings. It is said that, when the mind is tranquil, these slides commonly extend through a musical fifth *; through many more notes when the passions, especially the angry ones, are excited; but that in melancholy, the accents are not inflected more than about a quarter of a note. It may however be naturally enquired, whose ears are sufficiently delicate to vouch for the accuracy of these assertions?

9. But though it is possible to mark all the inflections adopted by a deliberate speaker, still it would be highly absurd to attempt to prescribe what all of them ought to be; because, as has been justly observed, the arrangement of them is seldom so fixed and determinate, especially in long sentences, as to prevent good speakers from differing from each other, though each would convey the intended meaning with clearness and force. Still however something may be accomplished. The principal inflections, i. e. those which are applied to the most important words, may be marked; because, as they are generally distinguished by emphasis or a more forcible pronunciation, a pretty general agreement will prevail respecting them.

^{*} See Wright's "Philosophy of Elocution." p. 87; also Steele's Prosodia Rationalis.

A considerable degree of uniformity will also exist with regard to those inflections which are adopted immediately before the principal pauses. It is likewise to be remarked that the inflections thus circumstanced, as well as those on the most important words, are easily distinguishable in the public reading of the Holy Scriptures and of the Liturgy. This facility arises partly from the deliberate manner which is required in the delivery of those compositions, and partly from their abounding in short sentences and strong language.

10. The primary uses of the inflections are to imply either continuation or completion. The rising inflection suggests the idea that the speaker has not finished the sentence, either simple or compounded; and the falling inflection generally implies that he has.

In pronouncing a sentence which is intended to mean no more than the words express, the two inflections will usually be very perceptible at two particular places: the highest *upward* slide will be heard where the principal pause occurs; and the *downward* slide will be heard at the conclusion of the sentence. The first may be called THE SUSPENSIVE SLIDE, distinguished by a double accent; and the other, the conclusive slide:

Example to both cases:

He that thinks he can afford to be negligent of his expenses, is not far from being poor.

In pronouncing this sentence, the most perceptible inflections would be the upward slide on the word 'expenses,' and the downward slide on the word 'poor.' Nor would it be necessary, in order to convey the plain meaning, to make any other inflections particularly distinguishable. And in describing the mode of delivering the other parts of the sentence, it would be sufficient to say that they were pronounced with a continuative tone. This mode of introducing a gradual ascent and descent into every sentence, is very commonly practised in reading. At first it passes off very smoothly, and pleases the ear; but it soon becomes wearisome from the regular recurrence of similar sounds, and from the feeble manner in which the meaning of the words is presented to the mind. If it be required to avoid monotony, to speak slowly and distinctly, and at the same time to convey the intended signification with clearness and force, a different plan must be adopted. An attentive listener to a correct speaker, when conversing seriously in polished society, will soon remark that the upward and downward slides of the voice are rendered perceptible at many other parts of a sentence besides at the place of the principal pause and at the end. In the management of such a speaker, the example which has been already quoted, might be rendered more sententious and graceful, by allowing several more inflections to be heard than were introduced in the former mode; and this might be effected without producing any of that sing-song manner which is so justly despised and ridiculed:

He that thinks he can afford to be negligent of his expenses, is not far from being poor *.

Here the suspensive and conclusive slides would still be the most audible in the sentence; but the secondary inflections might be rendered perceptible to the ear, and be made to harmonize with the principal ones, and thus add grace and force to the whole. Previously,

* This sentence, read according to the system adopted in "The Philosophy of Elocution," would be marked thus:

He that thinks he can afford to be negligent of his expenses, is not far from being poor.

The rising inflections gradually ascend on the scale till the voice attains the highest suspension at the word "expenses;" and then it as gradually declines, each inflection rising less than its immediate predecessor, till the occurrence of the extreme falling inflection at the end; where the voice would descend to one-fifth below the note with which the sentence began.

however, to any further remarks on the subject, it is necessary to specify the Rules respecting

THE PRIMARY USES OF THE INFLECTIONS.

RULE I. A sentence which maintains a dependent construction to the end, and does not require the indication of any referential or oblique meaning, terminates with the conclusive SLIDE.

· Modulation in speaking deserves our attention.

N. B. On referring to the musical notation, p. 11, it will appear that the conclusive slide descends to a lower note than at any other part of the sentence; but though lower on the scale, it often requires to be the loudest and most forcible of all. This distinction is of the highest importance; and the neglect of it is a most fruitful source of that monotonous manner which is so frequently heard among public readers *.

RULE II. In a sentence constructed like the

Though it may happen that every sentence in a paragraph terminates with a conclusive slide, yet these slides need not become monotonous; because as every sentence may vary in the commencing note, it may likewise vary in the concluding note.

following, the SUSPENSIVE SLIDE, or highest rising inflection, and the PRINCIPAL PAUSE, take place at the end of the words or phrases belonging to the nominative case:

Ex. The predominance of a favourite study, affects all the subordinate operations of the intellect.

Rule III. Sentences which consist of two principal members, require the suspensive slide and the principal pause at the end of the first member.—Such sentences admit of the following classification:

(a) Sentences, in which the second member qualifies the first, require the suspensive slide and the principal pause at the end of the first member:

No evil is insupportable, but that which is accompanied with consciousness of wrong.

- (b) Sentences, having their two principal members connected by correspondent conjunctions or adverbs, expressed or implied, require the suspensive slide and the principal pause at the end of the first member:
- 1. As there is an essential difference between sweet and bitter, between pleasure and pain, between light and darkness; so, there is an essential and unalterable distinction between virtue and vice.

- 2. Whenever you see a people making progress in vice; whenever you see them discovering a growing disregard to the divine law; there you see proportionable advances made to ruin and misery.
- 3. When honour is a support to virtuous principles, and runs parallel with the laws of God and our country, (then) it cannot be too much cherished and encouraged.
- 4. Though laughter is looked upon by the philosophers as the property of réason, (yet) the excess of it has always been considered a mark of folly.
- (c) Sentences beginning with a participle, or with an adjective, require the suspensive slide and the principal pause at the end of the first principal member:
- 1. Having thus begun to throw off the restraints of reason, he failed of success.
- 2. Full of spirit, and high in hope, we set out on the journey of life.
- (d) Inverted sentences, in which the first principal member might be put last, require the suspensive slide and the principal pause at the end of the first member:

Among the uncertainties of the human state, we are doomed to number the instabilities of friendship.

(e) Antithetic sentences require the suspensive slide and the principal pause at the end of the first principal member: The generous never recount minutely the actions they have-done, nor the prudent those they will-do.

RULE IV. Sentences which follow in the same train of thought, are connected by the rising inflection, which, when used for this purpose, may be styled the *conjunctive slide*:

To find the nearest way from truth to truth, or from purpose to effect; not to use more instruments when fewer will be sufficient; not to move by wheels and levers what will give way to the naked hand; is the great proof of a vigorous mind, neither feeble with helpless ignorance, nor overburdened with unwieldy knowledge.

The conjunctive slide, at the end of the members in the former principal branch of the above sentence, must be made to ascend one above the other, so that the voice may attain the highest inflection, or the suspensive slide, at the word 'hand.' The sentence, however, will receive greater force by terminating each of these members, except the last, with the falling inflection, or disjunctive slide. See Rule xv. p. 31.

(a) When the members of a sentence are connected by the conjunctions, for, therefore, because, that (i. e. in order that), lest, the conjunctive slide is frequently changed for the disjunctive:

Cast thy bread upon the waters; for thou shalt find it after many days. Eccl. ii. 1.

Fear God and keep his commandments: for this is the whole duty of man. Eccl. xii. 13.

The beginning of strife is as when one letteth out water; therefore leave off contention, before it be meddled with. Prov. xvii. 14.

Two are better than one; because they have a good reward for their labour. Eccl. iv. 9.

My son, be wise, and make my heart glad; that I may answer him that reproacheth me. Eccl. xxvii. 11.

Remove far from me vanity and lies; give me neither poverty nor riches; feed me with food convenient for me; lest I be full and deny thee, and say, Who is the Lord? or lest I be poor, and take the name of my God in vain. Prov. xxx. 8, 9.

INTERROGATION.

RULE V. A question beginning with a verb, ends with the suspensive slide:

- 1. Is the weather favourable *?
- 2. Would you do your homage the most agréeable way? would you render the most accéptable-of-services? offer unto God thanksgiving.
- * A question thus constructed appears to be the first member of an antithetic sentence; 'Is the weather favourable, (or not)?' and therefore ends with the suspensive slide.

EXCEPTION 1. When the question is equivalent to an assertion, it ends with the conclusive slide:

- 1. Is he not rightly named Jacob? Gen. xxvii. 36. i. e. he is rightly named Jacob.
 - 2. Is it not wheat-harvest to-day? 1 Sam. xii. 17.

EXCEPTION 2. When the question is introduced as a quotation, it becomes equivalent to an assertion, and therefore ends with the conclusive slide:

1. They say of me, Doth he not speak pàrables? Ezekiel xx. 49.

EXCEPTION 3. When the question implies more than is expressed, it ends with the conclusive slide, given with considerable force; i. e. with the STRONG EMPHASIS. See Rule XXII.

1. But in suspending his voice, was the sense suspended likewise? Did no expression of attitude or countenance fill up the chasm?—Was the eye-silent?—Did you narrowly look? Sterne.

Rule VI. A question asked by means of an interrogative pronoun or adverb, ends with the conclusive slide:

Which is the letter ?—Where is the man *?

* A question thus constructed, is equivalent to a declarative sentence, "Tell me, which is the letter?" and therefore ends with the conclusive slide. It is however to be observed, that the interrogative words which and where receive the suspensive slide.

Who continually keeps this globe in which we dwell, in its orbit? Who giveth day and night, summer and winter, seedtime and harvest? Who produces every plant, and brings forth successively every animal? Who sendeth the early and the latter rain? Who supplies the returning wants of every living being?

EXCEPTION 1. If the question is expressed elliptically by a single pronoun or adverb, it requires the suspensive slide:

- 1. Whó?—Whát?—Hów?
- 2. And Isaac trembled very exceedingly, and said, Wh6? Gen. xxvii. 32.

EXCEPTION 2. When a question beginning with an interrogative pronoun or adverb, is used as a quotation in the former part of a sentence, it ends with the suspensive slide *:

- 1. And when thy Son asketh thee in time to come, saying, What mean the testimonies, and the statutes, and the judgements, which the Lord our God hath commanded you? then shalt thou say unto thy Son, We were Pharaoh's bondmen in Egypt. Deut. vi. 20.
 - * A sentence, so constructed, belongs to Rule III. (b.)

- 2. If thou shalt say in thy heart, These nations are more than I: how can I dispossess them? Thou shalt not be afraid of them. Deut. vii. 17, 18.
- RULE VII. When interrogative sentences are connected by the *disjunctive* 'or,' expressed or implied, the questions that precede the 'or,' end with the suspensive slide, and those which follow it, end with the conclusive slide:
- 1. Are you toiling for fame, or labouring to heap up a fortune *?
- 2. Do the perfections of the Almighty lie dórmant? Does he possess them as if he possessed them not? Are they not rather in continual exercise?
- 3. Does God, after having made his creatures, take no further-care-of-them? Has he left them to blind fate or undirected chance? Has he forsaken the works of his own hands? Or does he always graciously preserve, and keep, and guide them?
- Rule VIII. Interrogative sentences, joined by the *conjunctive* 'or,' expressed or implied, end with the suspensive slide:

Should these credulous infidels, after all, be in the right, and this pretended revelation be all a fable;—from believing it, what harm-could-ensue? Would it render princes more tyrannical, or subjects more un-

* Sentences thus constructed, may be considered to be antithetic sentences, and ranged under Rule III. (e.)

góvernable? the rich more insolent, or the poor more disorderly? Would it make worse parents or chíldren, husbands or wíves, masters or sérvants, friends or neighbours? Or (disjunctive) would it not make men more virtuous, and consequently more happy, in evèry-situation?

Rule IX. A question spoken a second time (the answer not having been given, or not heard, or if heard, not remembered or understood) terminates with the inflection the reverse of that which would be used on first asking the question:

Is the weather favourable?

In asking the question the first time, it would terminate with the suspensive slide, according to Rule V.; but on repeating it under the circumstances specified in the present rule, it would be considered as the quotation of a question, being equivalent to

I asked, Is the weather favourable?

and therefore, by becoming an assertion, it would end with the conclusive slide:

Is the weather favourable?

See Exception 2. Rule V.

2. Which is the letter?—Where is the man?

These questions, being asked the first time, would terminate with the conclusive slide; but on being repeated under the circumstances supposed in the rule, the suspensive slide would alone be heard, applied strongly to the interrogative pronoun or adverb:—

Which-is-the-letter?—Where-is-the-man?

For directions respecting the best mode of reading interrogatory sentences of considerable length, Walker's Elements of Elocution, p. 131, may be consulted with advantage.

EXCLAMATION.

RULE X. The inflection at a note of exclamation is the same as it would be, if the member or sentence were read without emotion, and other points were substituted. The only difference is, that the note of exclamation requires the inflection to be given with greater force:

1. How many disappointments have, in their consequences, saved a man from ruin!

If this sentence is read without passion, it will admit a *period* at the end, and conclude with the conclusive slide. The note of admiration requires the same, but delivered with greater force.

2. Whither shall I turn? Wretch that I am! to what place shall I betake myself? Shall I go to the capitol? Alas! it is filled with my brother's blood! or (disjunct.) shall I retire to my house? yet there I behold my mother plunged in misery, weeping and despairing!

If this passage is pronounced without emotion, the note of exclamation after 'Wretch that I am,' and after 'alas,' might be turned into a comma, each of those members being considered as forming incomplete sense, and concluding with the *rising* inflection. The same inflection, more forcibly expressed, will be proper at the note of exclamation. Again:—after 'blood,' and after 'despairing,' a period might be introduced, and the conclusive slide applied. The only difference required by the note of exclamation would be a stronger expression of the same inflection.

3. When the note of exclamation is subjoined to single words or short phrases, it is necessary to supply the ellipsis, in order to as-

certain the intended meaning and the requisite inflection:

What! might Rome then have been taken, if those men who were at your gates had not wanted courage for the attempt?—Rome taken while I" was consul!

The exclamatory 'What!' is equivalent to the interrogative 'What?' mentioned as an exception to Rule VI., and therefore would require the suspensive inflection. Its meaning is something like 'Whát-do-you-say?' expressed in a high and indignant tone. Again,—'Rome taken while I" was consul!' i. e. 'Is it possible that Rome should be taken while I' was consul?' As this interrogative sentence would end with the suspensive slide, the equivalent exclamatory sentence must end with the same.

- Rule XI. A negative sentence or member of a sentence, opposed to an affirmative sentence or member of a sentence, expressed or implied, ends with the suspensive slide *:
- 1. The region beyond the grave is not a solitary land. There your fathers are, and thither every other friend shall follow you in due season.
- * A negative sentence appears to be the former part of an antithetic sentence, the latter part of which is either expressed or implied, or is placed by inversion at the beginning.

- 2. The fated flash not always falls upon the head of guilt.
- 3. We must not act contrary, but according to the
 - 4. You were paid to fìght, and not to rail.

Exception. A negative sentence, not opposed to an affirmative one, expressed or implied, ends with the conclusive slide:

Thou shalt not steal.

RULE XII. Supplicatory sentences are best terminated with a rising inflection, except when contradistinction is expressed or implied *:

Pity me! hear my supplications.

EXCEPTION 1. Where contradistinction is expressed:

Restore, restore Eurydice to life:
Oh take the húsband, or return the wife.

POPE.

What a Carthaginian, what the daughter of Asdrubal has to apprehend from a Roman, you yourself may

• 'Give-me-some brèad;'—this would be the position of the inflections in expressing a command; but 'Give-me-some bréad,' would be the usual arrangement, when the words are employed in a supplication. This distinction appears to exist independently of any difference in the loudness or in the force of utterance.

judge. Oh! if it be no otherwise-possible, deliver me, I beseech and implore you, from the Roman power, by dèath. Livy, lib. 30. c. 12.

EXCEPTION 2. When contradistinction is implied:

Listen for dear honour's sake,
Goddess of the silver lake,
Listen and save.
MILTON'S COMUS.

i. e. Listen, and not only listen, but save.

N.B. It is to be remembered, that it is only the supplicatory member of the sentence that ends with a rising inflection. An additional member of any other nature, must terminate according to its proper character. Thus, the conclusion of many of the collects, "through Jesus Christ our Lord," is not to be considered as a petition, but as a reason assigned for the acceptance of the whole preceding prayer; and therefore it should terminate with the conclusive inflection.

Secondary uses of the Inflections *.

Besides being employed at the end of the

[•] The only secondary use of the rising inflection is as a harmonic, or preparatory slide. See p. 32.

sentence to express completion, the falling inflection is frequently used to employ a degree of completion. When thus applied it does not descend so low on the scale as at the period, and it may be styled the DISJUNCTIVE SLIDE.

RULE XIII. The disjunctive slide is required at the end of a member which forms perfect sense by itself, but which is followed by some other member or members not restraining or qualifying its signification:

It is of the highest importance to season the passions of a child with devotion; which seldom dies in a mind that has received an early tincture of it.

RULE XIV. The disjunctive slide is often used to express opposition or contrast *:

Ex. 1. Similarity of sounds weakens contrast in sense.

In this sentence the disjunctive slide is given to the word 'similarity,' in order to oppose it more clearly to 'contrast,' which being the penultimate, must receive the rising slide.

The student may at first find it difficult to introduce the falling inflection at other places

* Words or members when in apposition, require similar inflections; when in opposition, they require opposite inflections.

besides the end of the sentence. The difficulty may be removed by detaching the word which is marked as requiring this inflection, and using it in a distinct sentence. For example; in reading the above sentence, the falling inflection is wanted for the word 'similarity.' To obtain it, introduce the word into another sentence, thus: 'I want similarity.' The inflection which would be naturally used in concluding this sentence, is that which is to be adopted in the proposed sentence. See p. 9.

Rule XV. The disjunctive slide is also used to give distinctness and force in the enumeration of particulars:

Ex. 1. The descriptive part of the allegory in the second book of the Paradise Lost is very strong, and full of sublime ideas: the figure of death, the regal crown upon his head, his menace of Satan, his advancing to the combat, the outcry at his bi"rth, are very noble circumstances, and extremely suitable to the great king of terrors.

The conjunctive slide might be used at the end of each member of this enumeration, but the effect would be comparatively feeble. In either mode of reading, the suspensive slide would be given at the word 'birth,' followed by a considerable pause; by Rule II.

Ex. 2. The persuasion of the truth of the gospel,

without the evidence that accompanies it, would not have been so firm and dùrable; it would not have acquired new force with age; it would not have resisted the torrent of time; nor have passed from age to age to our own days.

Here each independent member, except the penultimate, receives force by ending with the disjunctive slide.

In reading a series, or enumeration of particulars, the voice should gradually increase in force upon each succeeding member.

Preparatory, or Harmonic Inflections.

RULE XVI. When the inflections are used for the purpose of preparing for each other, they are called the *Preparatory*, or *Harmonic Inflections*. In such cases the rising inflection does not ascend so high as the suspensive slide, nor does the falling inflection descend so low as the conclusive slide.

Rule XVII. The rising inflection is used at the end of the penultimate member of a sentence to prepare for the conclusion:

Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like mén, be strong.

RULE XVIII. The most harmonious arrangement of inflections is when they occur in opposite pairs, '', or'''. Both varieties occur in terminating the following sentence:

1. The immortality of the soul is the basis of morality, and the source of all the pleasing hopes and secret joys, that can arise in the heart of a reasonable creature.

Exténded èmpire, like expanded gold, exchanges sòlid stréngth for feéble splèndour.

2. This arrangement of the inflections is well suited to the enumeration of four particulars expressed by single words:

Humanity, justice, generosity, and patriotism, are the qualities most useful to others.

Attention to this rule may be useful in reading particular parts of the Scriptures. In the narratives of the sacred volume there frequently occurs a succession of short sentences connected by a conjunction; and, according to the usual mode of reading, each member terminates with the conjunctive slide. This produces a monotony extremely wearisome to the ear, whilst the meaning passes off without making any distinct impression on the mind. This effect will be perceptible in the common mode of delivering the following verse:

And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, and took two of his young men with him and Isaac his son, and clave the wood for a burnt-offering, and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him. Gen. xxii. 3.

By dividing this passage into such portions as the sense may very well permit, and attending to the position of the inflections, the meaning of the whole may be conveyed with greater clearness to the mind, and accompanied with more harmony to the ear. Whether the object is accomplished in the following arrangement, must be left to the reader's judgment:

And Abraham rose up early in the morning, and saddled his ass, | and took two of his young men with him and Isaac his son, | and clave the wood for a burnt-offering, | and rose up, and went unto the place of which God had told him.

- 3. Sometimes the construction of a sentence will cause the inflections to fall readily into triplets, which will be harmonious in the following order, '', and ''; or '', and '':
 - 1. We may compàre hùman life
 - to a tále tóld by an idiot.
 - 2. We may compare human life
 - to a tale told by an idiot.

This method is applicable to the enumeration of single words:

- 1. Manufactures, trade, and agriculture, naturally employ more than nineteen parts of the species in twenty; or, 2. manufactures, trade, and agriculture, &c.; or, 3. more than nineteen parts of the species in twenty are employed in manufactures, trade, and agriculture; or, 4. in manufactures, trade, and agriculture.
- 4. When a long series of single words occurs; they may be arranged into portions of threes or fours:

The fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace,—long-suffering, gentleness, goodness—faith, méekness, temperance.

CADENCE.

The word Cadence is used in various senses. It is sometimes employed to signify the downward slide which takes place upon a single word at the end of most sentences. It sometimes implies the gradual descent which commences after the voice has attained the highest inflection in a sentence, and continues to the end of it, terminating in a tone less loud, and, as some writers assert, with a note one fifth below the key-note, or that with which the sentence began.

In the present work, Cadence is restricted to the last sentence of a paragraph, applying however to the whole of that sentence, and not merely to the latter part of it. The purposes

of such cadence are to apprize the hearers that the reader is drawing towards a close, and to render the conclusion harmonious as well as distinct.

Rule XIX. A cadence is formed by beginning the concluding sentence in a lower voice, and sometimes with a more deliberate utterance, than have been adopted in the preceding sentence, and by introducing a harmonious alternation of inflections gradually lowering.

The most agreeable arrangement of these inflections is produced by dividing them into double pairs in reversed order. When words in the final sentence will admit such a disposition, the cadence will always be pleasing to the ear:

Ex. The immortality of the soul is the basis of morality, and the source of all the pléasing hôpes' and sècret joys, that can arise in the héart' of a réasonable crèature *.

- (a) The cadence in rhyming verse, as well as in blank verse, is aided by lengthening the pause in the penultimate line, and by giving considerable force to the disjunctive slide which would be used there:
 - A (') above the line, denotes a brief pause.

A brave man, struggling' in the storms of fate, And greatly falling' with a falling state. Pope.

Théy' hánd in hànd, with wandering steps and slów, Through E'den tóok' their sólitary way. MILTON.

In any other situation than at the end of a paragraph, the word 'struggling' in the former of these passages, and the word 'hand' in the latter, would have received the rising inflection, or at least a continuative tone.

(b) Where the concluding sentence supplies four accented words, the cadence may be effected by lowering the voice, and introducing two pairs of alternate inflections, with a pause between them. A long pause should precede the sentence:

I will hear thee, says he, when thine accusers are come.—And he commanded him to be képt' in Hérod's judgment-hall. Acts xxiii. last verse.

(c) When the concluding sentence supplies only three accented words, the first receives the rising or falling, the second the rising, and the last the falling inflection:

And he préached' in the sy'nagogues of Gàlilee. Luke iv. last verse.

And God saw every thing that he had made, and behold, it was very good.—And the evening and the morning' were the sixth day. Gen. i. last verse.

Then took they up stones to cast at him: but Jesus

hid himself, and went out of the temple, going through the midst of them, and so' passed by'. John viii. last verse.

(d) When only two words can be selected to form a cadence, particular care must be taken to observe the pauses and to lower the voice:

And he took and sent messes unto them from before him; but Benjamin's mess was five times so much as any of theirs.—And they drank, and were merry. Gen. xliii. last verse.

- N.B. In this and the foregoing example it is to be observed, that no aid towards forming a cadence can be gained from the preceding verse.
- (e) A peculiarity of construction and the position of some emphatic words, sometimes render the above rules inapplicable.

In the following example, the concluding word 'watch' seems to give the sentence a double ending. To assist in conveying the idea of its being the final verse of the chapter, and at the same time to express the sentiment with due force, a pause may be introduced after the first word in the sentence, and a long pause before the last:

An'd—what I say unto you, I say unto all—waren Mark xiii. last verse.

The meaning of this awful warning is sometimes enfeebled by being read thus:

And what I say unto you, I say unto all-Watch.

THE MONOTONE.

RULE XX. The continuative tone, or apparent monotone, is capable of adding much variety and dignity to solemn and sublime passages; and is very applicable to the reading of many parts of Scripture and of the Church-Service.

High on a throne of royal state, which far Outshone the wealth of Ormus or of Inde; Or where the gorgeous East with richest hand Showers on her kings barbaric, pearl and go'ld, Satan exalted sat.

The apparent monotone in the third and fourth lines, will form an agreeable and striking contrast to the subsequent marked inflections.

EMPHASIS *.

The word emphasis, etymologically con-

* These remarks on emphasis are taken, slightly altered, from Rees's Cyclopædia, as quoted in Grant's Grammar of the English language. P. 372.

sidered, denotes showing or pointing out for observation, and as applied to speech, it means the marking, by any considerable alteration of the voice, either a word or a phrase as more important than other parts of a sentence, or such words or phrases as are assimilated to; or contrasted with each other.

Emphasis may be effected in several ways: by more forcible, and, in general, by louder utterance; by slower utterance; by variation of inflection; and by a combination of any two or of all these variations.

In the application of the preceding several species of emphasis, the following varieties require principal attention:

1. The objective emphasis, or emphasis of import, i. e. the stress of voice by which proportionate importance is given to the word or words conveying the substantive matter or leading object of the sentence; as,

"I am desirous of being acquainted with the nature of man." That is to say, "the nature of man is a subject to which I am desirous of directing some inquiry;"

an idea which may be expressed either with reference to some other subject, or without any such reference whatever. In which latter case, no antithesis is either expressed or implied; and the simple emphasis of import is expressed by an increased stress of the voice thrown upon the inflections which would be employed in pronouncing the compound name of that object, namely,

"The nature of man."

This emphasis might be strengthened, if requisite, by slower utterance.

2. Antithetic emphasis, or that characteristic stress and inflection of the voice, by which the opposition between two ideas, or parts of a compound idea, is pointed out, and emphatically impressed upon the mind. The antithesis may be either expressed or implied. Of the *direct* or *expressed* antithesis we have an illustration in the following sentence:

"It is not with the nature of ma''n that I am desirous of becoming acquainted, but with the nature of $G\partial d_j$ "

in which, man and God are the emphatically antithetic words, the former is pronounced with the suspensive slide, carried in a continuative tone over the rest of the member; and the latter with the conclusive slide.

When there are several contrasted parts, all of which are expressed, emphatic force, though admissible in the pronunciation, is not always required. The meaning will be clearly conveyed if the opposed words receive opposite indections:

Ex. Exténded èmpire, like expanded gold, exchanges sòlid stréngth for féeble splèndour.

In this sentence, the application of much or of little stress will be a matter of indifference, provided the inflections be properly arranged.

Implied antithesis. Let the preceding passage, "I am desirous, &c." be requoted with an emphasis on the word nature only, and that emphasis be expressed by a forcible falling inflection, in which a little of the upward slide is heard before the descent of the voice;

"I am desirons of becoming acquainted with the NATURE-of-man;"

the words have changed, to a certain degree their signification; an antithesis is implied, and the interpretation becomes,

"It is not the history—the form—complexion, or any other particular incident relative to man, but his general nature, his physical and moral attributes, that I am desirous of knowing." REES'S CYCLOPEDIA.

When the inflections are used in cases of implied antithesis, they may be distinguished by the names of the suspensive and the strong emphasis; and the following rules respecting

the application of them demand particular notice:

NULE XXI. The SUSPENSIVE EMPHASIS declares positively; but leaves doubtful whether the implied antithesis is included or excluded.

Ex. I could not treat a Doc-ill.

This is a positive declaration; but whether I could ill treat other animals (the implied antithesis), is left doubtful.

RULE XXII. The strong emphasis declares, positively, and at the same time either *includes* or *excludes* the implied antithesis *:

1. Exercise and temperance strengthen even an IN-DI'FFERENT-constitution; that is, not only a common constitution, but even an indifferent one.

Here the implied antithesis is included; for exercise and temperance would strengthen a common constitution, as well as an indifferent one.

2. He requires a voluntary-service.

• Mr. Walker's definition says that the strong emphasis always excludes the antithesis; consequently it must be inferred that exercise and temperance do not strengthen a common constitution. But as this is contrary to the fact, the definition appears to be efforteous.

Here the implied antithesis (not an involuntary service) is excluded.

"These two emphatic inflections are seldom simple slides, but are generally circumflexed; at least are always liable to be so: that is to say, a little of the opposite slide is usually heard before they are carried upward or downward."—SMART.

These peculiar turns of the voice abound in conversation; scarcely a sentence in animated speaking passes without them. And they constitute a material distinction between the common manner of reading and that more significant mode which conveys the meaning with encreased clearness and force. For example:

A living dog is better than a dead lion.

In the usual way of pronouncing this sentence, the inflections would be thus arranged:

A living dóg is better than a déad lion.

But this method, though very satisfactory to the ear, would fall very short of conveying the full signification, which is somewhat to this effect: 'Such is the value of life, that so inferior an animal as a dog, if living, is better than even the noblest of animals, even a lion, if he be dead.' An approximation to this

meaning would be conveyed by giving the strong emphasis to the words dog and lion:

A living dòg is better than a déad liòn.

And the object will be still better attained, if a little of the circumflex be rendered audible on those words.

In some cases of implied antithesis or contradistinction, particularly in expressions which, from frequent repetition are apt to be pronounced without being accompanied by any precise ideas, it is sometimes difficult to decide which of the two inflections is the proper one to be selected. To remove such difficulties, first ascertain what meaning is supposed to be intended; then supply, as concisely as possible, the words which would convey that meaning; and, in general, the required inflection will immediately become evident. For example: it may at first sight appear doubtful whether the petition in the Lord's Prayer,

Give us this day our daily bread,

ought to be terminated with the suspensive or conclusive slide. As it is a supplicatory sentence, it should, according to the general rule, end with the suspensive, unless something beyond the plain signification is thought to be implied. Let it be supposed that the following meaning is intended to be conveyed:

We ask not for daily luxuries or superfluities; give us this day our daily bredd;—that only in food and raiment which is necessary for our daily support.

To convey such a meaning, the negative sentence would terminate with the suspensive slide on the word 'superfluities;' and the positive sentence would terminate with the conclusive slide on the word 'bread.' The same slide therefore will be the proper one, when the elliptical sentence is omitted: the only difference will be, that the inflection will require to be given with greater force.

In endeavouring to ascertain what the terminating inflection of a sentence ought to be, it is sometimes necessary to have regard to its situation in the paragraph; the several branches of which require to be concluded with such inflections as will give harmonious unity to the whole. It must however be remembered that the sense must be the chief object. For example: the three principal members of one distinct portion of the Lord's Prayer, (i. e. from "Give, us," &c. to "Deliver us from evil") may be connected most harmoniously with each other, and be made to appear as branches of one paragraph, by terminating the first and

second (at 'bread, and at 'against us,') with the conjunctive slide. This mode of reading is adopted by the author of the Theory of Elocution, p. 85. But sense is to be preferred to sound; and therefore, as the full meaning of those two members can be best conveyed by ending them with the conclusive slide, this mode of termination ought to be adopted*. See notes on the Lord's Prayer.

- * It may be useful to suggest a caution against a peculiar jerk of the voice, somewhat resembling the rising circumflex, which is adopted by many readers and public speakers at the end of almost every sentence. They use it most especially when they wish to conclude with force and animation, though they have not any intention of conveying an idea, that antithesis is either expressed or implied. This peculiarity is very prevalent among the higher classes of society. Suppose, for example, that the following sentence were to be delivered in a parliamentary debate:—
- "In short, I have no hesitation in saying, that the national prosperity is closely connected with the present measure."

To communicate some degree of energy to the passage, many of the speakers would pronounce the last word with a peculiar upward jerk, and a solemn declamatory tone—" with the present measu"re." This is still more strikingly observable in the mode of terminating classical quotations: thus, to give due weight and dignity to the maxim,—

" Parsimonia est magnum vectigal,"

the orator thinks it necessary not only to pronounce the last word with due attention to quantity, (of which Mr. Burke, it "There is one thing more which it is necessary to observe on the subject of emphasis. It has

seems, was ignorant) but he must superadd the favourite terminational jerk:

" Parsimonia est magnum vectìgál."

If the concluding word should chance to be a monosyllable, upon that must be the whole turn: e. g.

"Parturiunt montes; nascetur ridiculus mus."

In pronouncing this line, the peculiar twist of the voice would be as distinctly perceived on the final word, as in the conclusion of the dignified version by the Johnsonian parodist:

"Parturient mountains produce muscipular abortions."

This prevalent terminational twang has not escaped the notice of the modern Momus; and he does not fail to give imitations of it, when he would amuse his audience by specimens of forensic or senatorial eloquence.

This peculiar mode of delivering the terminations of sentences in reading or public speaking, may be traced to some of our public schools. How it is there produced, it is not easy to explain. It is obvious that by repeating the Greek and Latin poets by heart, and by paying great attention to the rhythm, a kind of chant is naturally acquired. Why its cadence should always be accompanied with the upward jerk, is not equally obvious. This chant extends itself through all the school-lessons, and is as observable in repeating the grammar rules, as in the recitation of the most elevated passages from poets or orators. On such occasions the attention of the instructors is generally confined to the accuracy of the repetition and to the correct observance of the quantities, whilst the propriety of the inflections commonly passes unregarded. Thus the practice is continued

been erroneously supposed that the distinction of emphasis necessarily belongs to single words; but the fact is, that emphasis (properly so called) belongs to the ideas; and whether the substantive idea be expressed by a simple or a compound name, the whole name of that idea must bear the equal impress of that emphasis: thus, in the famous reply of the first William Pitt to Mr. Walpole,

"But youth, it seems, is not my only crime; I have been accused of acting a theatrical part;"

neither the word acting, nor the word theatrical, nor the word part, taken separately, designates the gist of the accusation, or constitutes the name of the idea included in the accusation, but the whole latter part of the sentence "I have been accused"—(of what?)—of acting a théatrical part. These words constitute the compound name of the indivisible accusatory

from generation to generation. To the eminent scholars who preside over those distinguished seats of learning, it is most respectfully suggested, that this peculiar terminational inflection is very different from that which they themselves adopt in earnest and serious conversation; that it is contrary to the rules which professed writers on Elocution have deduced from a close observation of general usage in society which is not infected by the classical chant; and lastly, that it is contrary to the practice of all eminent actors from the time of Garrick to the present day.

idea, and must receive throughout an equal portion of objective emphasis. Not that the syllables are thereby to be rendered equally forcible, or to be otherwise reduced to one monotonous level. They are only to receive one common superaddition of emphatic force; and as independently of such superaddition, they would have differed among themselves, in pause, quantity, accent (inflection), and grammatical or inherent force; in all those particulars they will still continue to differ *."

RULE XXIII. TRANSPOSITION OF ACCENT.

A transposition of accent is required when two words which have a sameness in part of their formation, are intended to be opposed to each other in sense:

- 1. What is done, cannot be undone.
- 2. There is a material difference between giving and forgiving.
- 3. Are not my ways equal? Are not your ways unequal?

When no opposition is intended, no change of accent should be made, although the words may be near to each other. In the Lord's Prayer, the words give and forgive, though

From Rees's Cyclopædia, as quoted in Grant's Grammar of the English Language, p. 374.

they occur in successive sentences, are not used in contradistinction; therefore no change of accent is required in the word 'forgive.'

GENERAL EMPHASIS.

RULB XXIV. When great earnestness is intended to be expressed, several successive words, even some that are otherwise insignificant, may receive considerable stress. This is styled *Géneral* Emphasis *. Thus, in the following sentence,—

"The very man whom he had loaded with favours, was the first to accuse him,"—

a stress upon the word man will give considerable force to the sentence—the very man, &c. If, besides the stress on this word, we give one to the word very, the force will be considerably increased—the very man, &c. But if we likewise give a stress to the word the, the emphasis will then attain its utmost pitch, and be emphatic in the superlative degree,—

Thé véry màn, whom he had loaded with favours, was the first to accuse him.

* Walker remarks, that General Emphasis has identity for its object; the antithesis to which is appearance, similitude, or the least possible diversity. Elements of Elocution, p. 212.

THE CONTINUATIVE INFLECTION.

Rule XXV. A word or phrase which is pre-understood as the subject of what is spoken, or which has actually been mentioned before, is included under the inflection of the preceding word, gradually ascending or descending, and becoming more and more feeble.

Must we, in your person, cro'wn the author of the public calamities, or must we destroy him?

In this sentence, 'the author of the public calamities' is pre-understood to be the person to be spoken of; whilst the principal object of the sentence is to propose the alternative of crowning or of destroying him. The suspensive slide on 'crown' would be extended over the subsequent phrase, 'the author of the public calamities,' but becoming gradually higher and feebler. If the delivery is required to be very forcible, a pause may be introduced afetr the word 'crown,' and the inflections on the words 'author,' 'public,' and 'calamities,' might become distinctly perceptible as repetitions of the principal inflection, though in a weaker and higher note.

EXAMPLE 2. Hamlet, thou hast thy father much offended.

Madam, You have-my-father-much-off-ended.

The phrase connected by hyphens is preunderstood, because it was used in the preceding line; therefore it passes under the *strong emphasis* which is given to *you*. In a slow and solemn delivery, a pause would be introduced after *you*, and the remainder of the line would be pronounced in an under tone, but with a repetition of the downward slide distinctly perceptible on *father*, *much*, and *offended*.

Example 3. Jonathan loved David as his own soul. And Jonathan made a covenant-with-David, because-he-loved-him-as-his-own-soul.

Here the rule is exemplified both after the word 'covenant,' and after 'because;' the phrases which follow each of those words have been mentioned before, and therefore are included under the preceding inflection:

EXAMPLE 4. Ahab said unto him, Art thou he that troubleth Israel? And he answered, *I*-have-not-troubled-Israel; but thoù and thy father's hoùse.—

1 Kings xviii. 17, 18.

"One very great feature of significant reading, probably the greatest, is the distinguishing of primary information from what is pre-understood, and therefore secondary. The subjects of discourse, when once introduced, go along with the mind continually; and it betrays inattention to the drift of thought, or incapacity to follow it, or, at best, a very bad habit which prevents the reader from showing outwardly that he follows it, when he makes no distinction between the words and phrases that refer to those objects, and such as bring the hearer acquainted with something new."—SMART.

MODIFYING CLAUSES.

Intervening clauses are of two sorts; one is called the *modifying clause*, and the other the parenthesis.

A modifying clause qualifies or affects the meaning of the sentence:

A man, conspicuous in a high station, who multiplies hopes that he may multiply dependents, may be considered as a beast of prey.

Rule XXVI. Modifying clauses, adverbial phrases, words or phrases in apposition, the case absolute, must all be separated by short pauses; and, the reader having availed himself, if requisite, of the advantage of taking breath, must be commenced with a lower voice than the preceding part of the sentence; the

voice must afterwards rise gradually to the end of the clause, phrase, or case absolute *.

THE PARENTHESIS.

A parenthesis is a member which does not affect the construction of the sentence within which it is inserted.

RULE XXVII. A parenthesis requires to be pronounced with a depression of voice, and somewhat faster than the rest of the sentence, with a pause before and after it; and it must generally conclude with an inflection similar † to that which immediately precedes it. After the parenthesis, the voice must resume the louder tone from which it fell, in order to preserve the connexion in the thought:

- 1. ——If there's a power above us,

 (And that there is, all nature cries aloud

 Through all her works) he must delight in virtue.
- 2. While they wish to pléase, (and why should they not-wish-it?) they disdain dishonourable means.

When the parenthesis is long, it may be

- For this rule and the preceding definitions, the author is indebted to "The Philosophy of Elocution."
- / + Similar but not the same. In the given example, the inflection on 'works,' would scarcely rise so high as the suspensive slide on 'above.'

pronounced in a continuative tone, to distinguish it from the sentence within which it is inserted.

XXVIII. Additional Rules respecting Pauses.

1. A pause may be made after a nominative even when it consists of only one word, if it be a word of importance, or if we wish it to be particularly observed. This pause is indicated by a comma above the line:

The fool' hath said in his heart, There is no God.

Discretion' does not always show itself in words, but in all the circumstances of action.

- 2. Generally pause after contrasted words.
- 3. An emphatic word admits a pause after it, (sometimes before it) proportioned to its degree of importance.

RULE XXIX. When a noun or pronoun is followed by a relative which modifies it, the noun or pronoun requires an accent and a pause after it:

Hé' cannot exalt his thoughts to any thing great or noble, who only believes that, after a short turn on the stage of this world, he is to sink into oblivion, and lose his consciousness for ever.

THE INFLECTIONS.

EXPLANATION OF MARKS AND 1

- 1. A comma inserted above the line denotes a short pause, less than at a comma introduced in the usual place in the line.
- 2. Two commas (") denote a longer pause than at a single comma.
 - 3. A dash (—) indicates a considerable pause.
- 4. The acute accent (') is used to denote the rising, or upward inflection;
- 5. The grave accent () is used to denote the falling, or downward inflection:

Ex. E'loquence ànimates.

In pronouncing these words, the voice appears to slide upwards on 'eloquence,' and downwards on 'animates.'

6. The double acute accent (") denotes the suspensive slide, or highest rising inflection in the sentence:

Ex. He that thinks he can afford to be negligent of his expences, is not far from being poor.

- 7. The inflection marked over a word must be continued over the following word or words which are connected by hyphens:
- Ex. 'E'nter-not' into ju"dgment-with-thy-servant' O-Lord, &c.'

The rising inflection on the word 'Enter' is to be continued over the word 'not,' as if these two words formed one word of three syllables. Again; the rising inflection on the word 'judgment' must be extended, gradually becoming higher and feebler, over the subsequent words 'with thy servant,' and continued, after a slight pause, over 'O Lord.' See Rule xxv.

- 8. SMALL CAPITALS denote a more forcible utterance than *Italics*.
- 9. Words in Italics or in small capitals, not marked with an inflection, admit either the rising or the falling.
- 10. A horizontal mark () over a word denotes a lengthened utterance, terminating with the rising inflection: as, O Lord.
- 11. The figures, placed above some words, refer to the Rules.
- (*) An asterisk placed between brackets above the line, shews that a loud voice will best suit the succeeding words.
- (o) A small circle placed between brackets below the line, denotes that a low voice is requisite in pronouncing the following passage.
- The bracket after some notes, distinguishes those for which the author is responsible.

ORDER FOR MORNING PRAYER.

THE SENTENCES *.

1. When the wicked mán' turneth awáy from his wickedness-that-he-hath-committed, and

*Dr. Bennett justly observes that "the Sentences, the Exhortation, the Absolution, and those other parts of the Liturgy which are addressed to the people only, ought to be uttered in a quite different manner from that which suits the Confession, the Lord's Prayer, and those other parts of the public ritual which are addressed to God. The voice must be so managed, as plainly to signify so marked a distinction, that even the most heedless people may understand \mathcal{I} , en the minister speaks to them, and when to their Maker."—Dr. Bennett's Paraphrase.

The advantage to be derived from delivering the service from memory (see preface,) will be particularly felt in pronouncing the Exhortation, and those parts of the Liturgy which are directed to the congregation.

The reader is recommended to begin the service, as if he were addressing only those of the people that are nearest, and to speak rather under the common level of his voice, than above it. The voice will naturally and easily slide into a higher key, when he wishes to speak louder; but it is ex-

doeth that which is lawful and ri"ght,, he shall save his soul alive.

tremely difficult to bring it down, if it be pitched too high at first.

The first sentence of the service is generally rendered inaudible by the noise which the rising of the congregation produces. This ill effect may be, in some measure, obviated by the minister's prolonging the first allowable pause beyond what would be otherwise necessary. The inconvenience in question is entirely prevented in those Churches where the singing of a psalm or hymn causes the congregation to rise, and thus places them in the fit posture for proceeding with the service.]

When the wicked m'an It is often necessary to mark the inflections of words which do not appear important, in order to prevent some other mode of reading which would suggest an erroneous inference. For example: in the first sentence, the words 'wicked' and 'man' do not require any particular stress, and might very well pass without any marks. But it is not unusual to hear considerable emphasis given to the word 'wicked,' (When the wicked-man), as if some contradistinction were intended between the wicked man and the righteous man. This indeed is really the case in the chapter from which the verse is taken; but not so in the detached application of it in the Liturgy. Therefore, to prevent a method of delivery which would suggest an incorrect inference, it is necessary to mark the inflections. Each of the words 'wicked' and 'man,' would receive its separate inflection, but in a gentle and equable manner.—For the correct pronunciation of the word wicked, as well as for the intermediate sound of the unaccented o in committed, forgive, confess, commandment, &c. consult the Appendix.]

-that he hath committed] This phrase is a Hebrew

- 2. I acknowledge my transgréssions, and my sin' is éver before-me.
- 3. Hide-thy-face' from my sins, and blot-out all mine iniquities. Ps. li. 9.
- 4. The săcrifices of Gód' are a broken spìrit:

 a broken and a co"ntrite-heart,, Ō Gōd, thou wilt-not despìse.
- 5. Rend your heàrt and not your ga"rment, and turn unto the Lord your God; for Hê is gracious and mèrciful, slow to anger and of grèat kindness, and repénteth him of the evil.

pleonasm. As it adds nothing to the sense, it should pass under the inflection which commences on the word 'wickedness.' In Mr. Smart's mode of reading this sentence, (see Theory of Elocution, p. 115) he appears to overlook the intended contradistinction between 'turning away from wickedness,' and 'doing that which is lawful and right.' The reader must be careful to adopt the suspensive slide, or highest rising inflection, on the word 'ri"ght,' at the end of the following clause, to shew that the meaning is incomplete.

I acknowledge] For the pronunciation of this word, and of 'săcrifices,' see Appendix.

—āll mine iniquities] It will perhaps be most agreeable to the system of parallelisms, so frequently adopted in the Psalms, to suppose that some distinction is intended between 'sins' and 'iniquities.' If, however, they should be considered as synonymous, the latter clause might be read thus:

-blot out àll-mine-iniquities.]

- 6. To the Lord our Gód' belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebélled against him: neither have-we obèy'd the vo"ice-of-the-Lord-our-God, to walk in his laws' which he sét before us.
- 7. O Lord, correct-me, but with jùdgment;
 —nôt in thine ánger, lest thou bring me to
- 8. Repent-ye;—for the kingdom of Héaven' is at hand.
- 9. I will arise, and go to my father; and will say-unto-him—Father, I have sinned against heàven' and before thée, and am no-more worthy to be called thy son.

—rebelled] For the pronunciation of the final ed, and likewise of eth, see Appendix.

Repent ye] The falling inflection is here adopted, as best shewing that the words express a command, not a request.]

E'nter-not] This sentence, notwithstanding Mr. Sheridan's remarks, is still frequently read thus: "Enter not into judgment with thy sérvant-O-Lord"—the conclusion, naturally to be expected, would be—"but enter into judgment with those that are not-thy-servants."—Sheridan's subsequent comment is excellent: "Enter not into judgment, i. e. the severity of judgment with thy servant; for in thy'-sight, which is all-piercing, and can spy the smallest blemishes, shall no man living be justified:—no man on earth; no, not the best, shall be found perfect, or sufficiently pure to stand the examination of the eye of purity itself."

- 10. En'ter-not' into ju''dgment-with-thy-servant' Ō Lord; for in THY'-sight' shall nó mán liv''ing be jùstified.
- 11. If we sáy' that $w \in have no''$ -sin,, we decéive-ourselves, and the trùth-is-not-in-us: bút if we $conf \in ss$ -our-sins, $H \in ss$ is faithful and just' to forgive-us-our-sins, and to cléanse-us' from all unrighteousness.

THE EXHORTATION.

Déarly-beloved Brèthren!—the Scripture

—He' is faithful and just] The practice adopted by some readers of substituting the word 'God' for 'He,' appears to be a violation, if not of the letter, at least of the spirit of the fourteenth canon. As there is no antecedent to 'He,' the sentence may be used with most propriety after one of the preceding sentences in which the word 'God, Lord, or Father' occurs. It may best be coupled with the fourth, fifth, sixth, or ninth sentence. When it is thus associated, the commencement of it may be read in the following manner, which differs from that which would be used if the sentence were introduced alone:

"If we say that ne have no-sin," &c.]

Dearly-beloved brethren! If the rising inflection be adopted in pronouncing the word 'brethren,' the address is

moveth-us' in sundry places, to acknowledge and confess' our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should-not dissemble nor clo"kethem'-before-the-face-of-Almighty-God'-our-heavenly-Father; but confess-them, with an kumble, lowly, penitent, and obedient-heart; to the end' that we may obtain-forgiveness-of-the-

more closely connected with the remainder of the sentence. But if the falling inflection be used, followed by a considerable pause, the words would imply, 'dearly beloved brethren, give me your earnest attention;'—or something to that effect.

This latter mode of commencing a solemn address, is generally adopted in our courts of judicature; and it may likewise be observed in those highly finished specimens of elegant and dignified reading which are heard from the throne.]

- —before the face] At first sight, these words may appear to signify the more immediate presence of the Deity in public worship, and therefore to require strong emphasis. But this meaning cannot be intended, because the duty of a public acknowledgment of our sins, is reserved for notice in the following sentence: "Although we ought at all times to acknowledge our sins before God, yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together, &c." Therefore the expression, 'before the face of Almighty God,' signifies no more than before Almighty God: 'ενώπιον Θεου.]
- —an humble, lowly, penitent and obédient-heart;] The climax in these words requires a progressive increase of force to be used in pronouncing them. See page 32. For the pronunciation of the word 'humble,' see Appendix.
- ---obtain-forgiveness-of-the-same] The meaning requires that these words should be kept closely together.

same, by his' I'NFINITE goodness and mèrcy. And although we oùght, at a"ll-times'-humbly-to-acknow'ledge-our-sins' before-God,, yet oùghtwe' most chi'efly-so-to-do, when we assèmble and mèet togéther—to render thánks for the

—by his' infinite goodness and mèrcy] "These words," as Mr. Sheridan justly observes, "lose much of their force, by the usual manner of repeating them, viz. 'by his infinite goodness and mercy: whereas, by introducing a pause after the word his', and accenting it strongly, we not only pay the proper reverence due to the Deity whenever He is mentioned, but there is superadded, by this means, a force to the word infinite, coming after the pause, which alone can make us have an adequate conception of those attributes in Him, whose mercy endureth for ever."

And although] Be careful not to place the accent on the first syllable of this word, calling it 'although.'

- —humbly to acknowledge-our-sins] A wrong division is often introduced here:—'Humbly to acknowledge, our sins before God.']
- —most chi''efly-so-to-do] The word 'so' receives much stress from some readers, instead of the more important word 'chiefly.'
- —when we assemble and meet together] Sheridan observes, that nothing is more frequent than to give the tone of a full stop at the end of the former part of the sentence, as thus—'yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet togèther.'—What! at any time? in assemblies of amusement and festivity? No; it is only 'when we assemble and meet together to render thanks, &c.'
 - -to render thanks In this sentence a distinct enumer-

grèat bénefits that we have received at his hànds; to set forth' his most worthy pràise; to hèar' his most hōly word; and to ásk' thôsethings which are rèquisite and nécessary' as wèll for the bôdy' as the sòul.

Wherefore—I pray and beséech vou, as many as are here présent,, to accompany-me' with a pure heart and hùmble voice' unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after-me.

ation is made of the several parts, of which our Church-service is composed:—1. 'To render thanks for the great benefits which we have received at his hands,' i. e. thanks-giving;—2. 'to set forth his most worthy praise' by psalms and hymns;—3. 'to hear his most holy word,' in the Lessons, Epistles, and Gospels;—and 4. 'to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul,' by the prayers. The reader must be careful to render this enumeration perfectly distinct by the mode of delivery.

beséech yóu] The word you requires to be strongly accented. The sentence implies, "I pray and beseech all you, and each individual of you, here present, to accompany me," &c. Sheridan.

[—]Saying after-me] A comma or semicolon is generally inserted here, which connects the conclusion of the Exhortation with the beginning of the Confession; thus,—" saying after-me, Almighty and most merciful Father," &c. The change of posture, on the part of the minister and congregation, which is here directed, necessarily causes some noise, and

renders it expedient for him to introduce a considerable pause before he begins the Confession. It is therefore advisable to consider the sentence at the end of the Exhortation to be completely finished, the word 'saying' to be used in a neuter sense, equivalent to 'speaking,' and to conclude the whole with the falling inflection on the word 'after.' This method appears preferable to that adopted by some readers, who make the long pause after the word 'grace;' and as soon as all are kneeling, then proceed:—" Saying after me, Almighty and most merciful Father," &c.]

A GENERAL CONFESSION *.

(sow) Almighty' and most mèrciful Fáther, We

* The transition from the Exhortation to the Confession may be marked by commencing in a lower note, and with a slower delivery, and adopting in succession such a manner and such tones of voice as are suited to the humility of confession and the earnestness of supplication. A considerable pause is requisite after each clause, to allow sufficient time for the congregation to finish their repetitions. The observance of this suggestion will, in a great degree, prevent that confusion of indistinct sounds which usually takes place, and in which all articulation is lost.

Almighty and most merciful Sheridan remarks that "here the greatest stress is usually laid on the word 'Father; whereas it ought to be on the attribute 'merciful.'" In truth, both words require considerable force: we venture to address God for the pardon of our acknowledged sins, both as he is 'most merciful,' and also because he stands to us in the

have érred and stráy'd from thy-ways' like lóst shèep. We have fóllow'd toò múch' the devices and desires of our ówn hèarts. We have offended' against thy hóly làws. We have left úndone' thóse-things which we óught to have dòne; and we have dòne-those-things, which we ought nót-to-have-done; and there is nō health-in-us.

endearing relation of Father.—The voice must be suspended at the word 'Father,' to show that the sentence is incomplete.

—erred] We have erred and made lesser steps out of the path of our duty; and at other times, strayed and made wider deviations from it. The word 'strayed' conveys a stronger meaning than 'erred,' and therefore will require more force in the pronunciation. If 'erred' is taken as a dissyllable, the first syllable is sounded as in 'error.' For 'strayed,' read 'stray'd.' See Appendix.

lost sheep] The letter t in the word 'lost' must be distinctly sounded, to avoid the common error of saying 'loss sheep.'

—left *undone*] The accent should be transferred to the first syllable of this word, for the purpose of making the contradistinction between *undone* and *done* more clearly perceptible. The word 'ought' requires to be accented, but not so as to leave the word 'done' unaccented, thus, 'which we ought-to-have-done.'

-no health-in-us] Observe that the stress is upon the important words 'no health,' and not upon the insignificant 'in.'
SHERIDAN.

But thou, O Lord, have ME"RCY-upon-us, miserable offenders. Spáre-thou' thém'-O-God, which confess-their-faults. Restore-thou' thém that àre pénitent; According to thy prômises' declared unto mankind, in Christ Jésu our Lòrd. And gránt,, O most mèrciful Fáther, for hi"s-

—have mercy upon us, &c.] This sentence appears to be equivalent to "Have mercy upon us, miserable offenders that we are:" in which construction us would not be accented. Or, if the ellipsis were supplied in the following manner, "Have mercy upon us (who are) miserable offenders," the relative 'who' does not modify the meaning of the antecedent, (as in Rule xxix.) but merely echoes its meaning; in this mode of explaining the construction, still the word us does not require an accent. The principal stress would be given to mercy, with a very slight secondary accent to the preposition upon.]

Spáre thou' thém] Be careful to observe the pause between 'thou' and 'them.'

—confess-their-faults] The inflection which begins upon 'confess' is continued over 'their faults,' because the word 'faults' has been previously implied.

—thém that are pénitent] In this and the preceding clause the pronoun 'them' is equivalent to 'us;' for the petition is not made in behalf of any persons in general 'which confess their faults, and that are penitent,' but of us in particular. The meaning may be rendered more clear by delivering the latter clause thus: Réstore-thou' thém that are pénitent; i. e. really penitent.

And grant,, O most merciful Father] This invocation is

sake,, That we may hereafter live' a godly, righteous, and sober-life, To the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

generally introduced without sufficient pause before and after it. The same remark is applicable, throughout the service, to those invocations which are not placed at the beginning of a sentence.

Amen.] Wheatly thinks that when Amen is printed in Italics, the minister is to leave it to be said by the people: when it is in Roman letters, he is to pronounce 'Amen' himself, and thus to direct the people to do the same. Shepherd, however, is of opinion, that as the Lord's Prayer, Confessions, and Creeds, are to be repeated by the people as well as by the minister, there was no occasion for distinguishing 'Amen' after those parts of the service by a different character, as is necessary after Absolutions, Collects, &c. which are to be repeated by the minister alone. This author conceives, that the minister is left at perfect liberty, either mentally or vocally to utter Amen; or to leave it entirely to the people.

THE ABSOLUTION.

ALMIGHTY GÓD, the Fáther of our Lórd'

Almighty God, the Fáther, &c.] In pronouncing the Absolution, it is usual to begin it in the same manner and tone of voice, as if it were a prayer, addressed to the Almighty, instead of speaking of him, and delivering a commission in his

Jesus Christ,, who desireth' not the death-of-asinner, but rather' that he may turn-from-his-wickedness, and live; and hath given power and commandment to his ministers, to declare

The words as they stand, have indeed the same air as several prayers beginning in the same manner: which probably has betrayed most into the same mode of delivering them. But whoever will suppose them to be preceded by the article 'The,' which is understood, as thus, 'The Almighty God,' &c. will immediately see the necessity of using a tone very different from that of supplication, and will easily bring himself to the use of it. Sheridan. The tones required are the fullest that the voice can command; but they must be smooth and even, solemn and dignified, with somewhat of an authoritative manner until the commencement of the hortatory part, 'Whérefore let us beseech him,' &c. After suspending the voice on the word 'Whérefore,' a considerable pause may be introduced, followed by a change of manner corresponding with the sentiment. In delivering the concluding words, the minister should take care to be particularly solemn, deliberate, and impressive. He must likewise studiously mark the transition from pronouncing the Absolution to joining in prayer. Having spoken with a dignity suitable to the Ambassador of Heaven, he must prepare himself for uniting with his fellow-sinners, in the tones which befit the humble supplicant.

—who desireth' not the death, &c.] The pause should be inserted before the negative, to show that the verb 'desireth' is implied in the following member of the sentence; 'but (desireth) rather,' &c. For the pronunciation of the word 'rather,' see Appendix.

and pronounce to his péople—being pénitent—the

ABSOLUTION and REMI"SSION-of-their-sins;—HE"

pardoneth and absólveth' áll thèm that TRU'LYrepent, and unfeignedly believe his hóly Gòspel.

Whérefore—let us besēēch-him' to grant ús' TRU'E-REPE'NTANCE, and his Hòly Spi'rit; that those-things may pléase-him, which we dò at this présent,, and that the rèst-of-our-life here-áfter, may be pure and hòly;—só that at the

—being penitent] These words express the condition on which the Absolution is pronounced; and therefore, says Sheridan, should it not have the solemnity of a pause, both before and after it, accompanied by a suitable depression of voice, to give it its due weight?

remi"ssion-of-their-sins] Be careful to adopt the highest rising inflection at this part of the sentence; and on 'remission,' rather than on 'sins.' The latter word is equivalent to the word 'wickedness,' which has already been expressed; and therefore the word 'sins' will pass under the inflection which commences on the word 'remission.']

He" pardoneth] The verbs 'pardoneth' and 'absolveth' are so far removed from the nominative 'Almighty God,' that, for the sake of perspicuity, the pronoun 'He' is inserted. A pause after it is necessary: it will then convey this meaning; 'He' (i. e. that Almighty Being, whose merciful disposition has been now described) pardoneth and absolveth,' &c.]

⁻to grant ús] i. e. ús who are here assembled.

làst, we may come to his ete RNAL Jóy, through Jesùs Christ our Lòrd.

—through Jesus] Beware of the error of giving stress to the preposition, and slurring over the following word, thus; "through-Jesus' Ch'rist our Lord."]

THE LORD'S PRAYER *.

Our Father-which-art-in-héaven!-hállowed'

* Longer pauses are required between the several parts of the Lord's prayer, than of other prayers, both because it contains so many distinct petitions, and because each petition, though brief, embraces so much meaning. The mind requires a little time to be enabled to keep pace with these rapid transitions, and to embrace this plenitude of signification. Whereas, other prayers generally present only one or two leading ideas, with which the secondary sentiments are closely connected, and which they tend to explain and enforce.

And as this prayer is to be repeated aloud by the people with the minister, longer pauses will likewise tend to stop occasionally that confusion and indistinctness of delivery which generally prevail throughout the whole; and the slow and deliberate manner of speaking, adopted by the minister as most suitable to prayer, will gradually be acquired by the congregation.

Our Father] The three principal parts of which this prayer consists, should be clearly distinguished by pausing

be thy name; thy kingdom' cóme; thy will' be done in earth, as-it-is' in heaven.—(0) Gíve-us

between them, as well as by the manner of delivering them. The first three petitions (more properly, expressions of adoration, submission, and obedience), which relate to the hallowing of our heavenly Father's name, the coming of his kingdom, and the fulfilment of his will, require, on account of their dignity, a firmer and louder tone, than will be proper in pronouncing the three subsequent petitions, which are confined to our individual wants. In the Doxology, the full swell of the voice, expressive of praise and adoration, may be justly resumed.

—which-art-in-héaven] If the invocation is considered to consist of two propositions, 'Our Father,' and 'which art in heaven,' a pause must be introduced between them. But if it is equivalent only to 'O heavenly Father,' this meaning will be best conveyed by connecting the words 'Our Father' with the following words, thus: 'Our Fāther-which-art-in héaven.—All stress upon the verb 'art' must be carefully avoided; at the same time, the words must not be corrupted into 'which-urt,' as occasionally happens.]

—which art in héaven—] A considerable pause should be made after the word 'heaven.' The introduction of a long pause after the commencing invocations in prayers, has a solemn effect, and helps to rouse the attention and devotion of the congregation.

—thy kingdom' côme] This sentence is terminated with the rising inflection, for the purpose of more closely connecting the three first sentences, which constitute a distinct portion of the prayer, and which indeed are connected in subject. The words are sometimes improperly read thus: 'thy'-kingdom-come:' this mode suggests an antithesis which has no existence.'

this-day' our dáily brèad; and forgive-us our tréspasses, ás wè-forgive thém' that tréspass

-thy will be done | Sheridan thinks "that the verb 'be,' requires particular stress, as well as a pause before it, to correspond with the emphasis and pause at the word 'come;' and that as the optative 'may' is omitted, the emphasis should be transferred to the auxiliary 'be,' as it is in all other cases."—The pause may be proper; but the reason assigned for giving stress to the verb 'be' is unsatisfactory. For if the optative 'may' were retained in the sentence 'may thy will be done,' the stress would not fall upon 'may,' but upon 'will' and 'done;' therefore the omission of the optative can make no difference in the position of the inflections. Some readers suppose that an antithesis is contained in the present clause—(may) "thy will be-done in earth, as it is (done) in heaven." But in the original there is no antithesis of this kind, (the words being simply "as in heaven,") therefore none should be introduced into our English version.]

—thy will' be done in earth] The pause which some readers make after 'done,' instead of after 'earth,' tends to obscure the meaning. It is apt at first to excite the idea, that as the words 'thy will be done' form complete sense, therefore the sentence is finished. This mode of reading is adopted probably from observing the arrangement of the words in the Greek both of St. Matthew and St. Luke, which is followed in our English version of the latter evangelist: 'Thy will be done, as in heaven, so in earth.' The version of the same words in St. Matthew, which is used in the Liturgy, is less literal, but more easy and perspicuous.]

Give us this-day] This sentence, says Sheridan, is generally read thus: 'Give us this day our daily bread.' Here the emphasis on the word 'day' is unfortunately placed, both

against ùs; and léad-us-not into tempta" tion,, bút' delíver-us from èvil.—(*) For thīne is the

with regard to sound and sense. The ear is hurt by the immediate repetition of the same sound in the word 'daily.' Neither is the true meaning conveyed; for this is a prayer to be daily used, and a petition to be daily preferred, composed for our use by Him, who bade us take no thought for the morrow. The real sense will be best shewn by placing the inflection on the word 'this,' rather than on 'day.'

-our daily bread The word 'bread' must be understood to imply more than is expressed: 'Give us this day not luxuries nor superfluities, but our daily bread; that alone, in meat, drink, and clothing, which is absolutely necessary for us.' The word 'bread' here becomes strongly emphatic, and requires to be pronounced with the falling inflection, agreeably to Rule xxii. But according to the explanation given in our Church Catechism, 'bread' implies "all that is needful both for our souls and bodies." This extended signification seems necessary to be included; for without it, the use of the petition in the form given by St. Matthew 'this day,' instead of 'day by day,' according to St. Luke, can scarcely be proper in the mouths of all those whose immediate bodily wants have been actually supplied. It would be superfluous to ask for what the providence of God has already given. If this extended meaning of 'bread' is admitted, the word becomes strongly emphatic, and the falling inflection is absolutely necessary. See remarks under Rule xxii.]

—forgive us] Sheridan justly observes that it is absurd and puerile to lay the accent on the first syllable of 'forgive,' instead of the last, for the purpose of producing an opposition hetween the words 'give' and 'forgive,' where no such opposition is intended.

-forgive us our tréspasses] 'Us' and 'our' admit of

kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever, and ever. Amèn.

being made emphatic, but do not require to be so. They would demand this distinction, if the expression were in a more antithetical form: 'Do thou forgive us our trespasses,' &c.; but the original will not allow such a translation.]

—as mè-forgive thém] If, according to the direction of Sheridan and others, strong emphasis is given to the particle 'as,' it will seem to imply something contingent and conditional, and to be equivalent to 'according as:'—'according as we hereafter forgive,' instead of 'like as we now forgive (ἀφίεμεν.) If 'as' (ως) be taken to signify 'for,' in agreement with the parallel place in St. Luke, 'for we also forgive,' (see Whitby in loco,) still less reason will there be to make 'as' emphatic.]

—trespass against $\hat{u}s$] The stress is sometimes laid upon 'against,' and not upon 'us.' By this mode, the implied antithesis passes unobserved: "Forgive us our trespasses (against thée,) as we forgive thém that trespass against $\hat{u}s$."—Those who think that the pronoun 'us' is not emphatical, should place the stress upon 'trespass,' and not upon 'against:' 'trèspass-against-us,' and not 'trespass against-us.' The latter mode, by adopting on the word 'against the strong emphasis, suggests the absurd meaning—'as we forgive them that trespass (not for us, but) against-us.']

—And léad-us-not] If the negative is separated from the verb in the following manner, "Léad-us' nòt-into temptátion," we are naturally induced to expect, that the following member would be,—'but lead us into something else.' The real contradistinction is between 'temptation' and 'evil.' "Lead-us-not into temptátion; but (if we must be thus tried,) deliver

us from èvil."—The better to convey this meaning, a slight pause may be introduced after 'but.']

For thine is, &c.] The fine close of this admirable prayer, says Sheridan, is often changed in its movements, from the solemn and majestic, to a comic and cantering pace: "For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, for ever and ever."—This effect is rendered still more unpleasant, when the last word receives the rising inflection; for then, three similar pairs of inflections are often heard in close succession: "For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory, for ever and ever." But by pausing after the word 'thine,' and separating the other members of the sentence, the movement becomes forcible and dignified.

Mr. Wright justly remarks, that in pronouncing the Doxology, some readers practice another fault, equally unpleasant to the ear as that mentioned by Sheridan; viz. "For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory," &c. giving the conjunction emphatic force.

For EVER and EVER.] The first 'ever' comprehends the whole duration of time; the second 'ever' the whole of eternity. Both words require considerable emphasis.

THE RESPONSES.

Priest. O Lord, open thou our-lips;

Ans. And our mouth' shall show forth thy praise.

— open thou-our-lips] In the common way of reading this sentence, with the stress upon the word 'open,' the address

Priest. O God, make spèed to sáve-us;

Ans. O Lord, make haste to help us.

(*) Glory' be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

Ans. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall-be world without end. Amen.

Priest. (*) Praise ye the Lòrd.

Ans. The Lord's name' be-praised.

to God seems only to be 'to open our lips;' but when the emphasis is placed on the word 'thou'—'O Lord, open thou our lips,' the figurative meaning starts forth, which is 'Do thou inspire us with a true spirit of devotion, and our mouth shall show forth thy praise.' Sheridan.

Glory, &c.] The Minister should not proceed till the noise of the congregation's rising shall have entirely subsided.—The Doxology demands the full swell of the voice, accompanied with warmth and energy. In a cursory mode of reading, the conjunctive slide may be given to the words 'Father' and 'Son;' but the disjunctive will convey the sense with greater distinctness. Beware of making the conjunctions emphatic.

—and to the Holy Ghost] The first part of the Doxology should terminate with the rising inflection, because that inflection is most in unison with the expression of rapture, and because it connects the meaning more closely with the second part.]

As it was, &c.] This part must never be hurried over. In delivering it, due attention should be given to the rule respecting the reading of a series, which requires that the voice should gradually increase in the force and fulness of its tones as the series advances. See p. 32.]

PSALM XCV .- THE VENITE *.

- 1. O cóme, let us sing-unto-the-Lord; let us heartily rejóice' in the strèngth of our salvátion;
- 2. Let us come before his presence' with tha"nksgiving, and show ourselves glàd-in-him' with psâlms;
- 3. For the Lord is a great-God; and a great king above all-gods.
- 4. In his-hand' are all the corners of the earth; and the strength of the hills' is his also.
- 5. The sèa'-is-his, and hè máde-it: and hìs-hands prepared the dr'y lànd.
- 6. O come, let us worship, and fall down, and knéel-before-the-Lord' our Máker;
- This Psalm, especially the seven first verses, may be delivered rather faster than the preceding part of the service, and with a degree of cheerfulness and animation.
- —let us sing-unto-the-Lord] The word 'Lord' having been used in the sentences immediately preceding, the emphasis in the present case should be placed upon 'sing.']

strength of our salvátion] The rising inflection is here adopted, to show that the same connection subsists between this verse and the third, as between the second and third.]

- 7. For H^{2} is the Lord our Gód; and w^{2} are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.
- 8. To-day if ye will héar his voice,, hardennot your héarts, as in the *provocation*, and as in the day of *temptation*' in the wilderness;
- 9. When your fathers' tèmpted-me, próved-me, and sáw my wòrks.
- 10. Förty years lóng was I grieved-with-thisgeneration, and sáid, It is a péople' that do èrr in their héarts, for they have-not knówn m'y wáys.
- 11. Unto whóm' I sware in my wráth, that THE'Y' should nôt énter' into m'y rèst.
- 9. When your fathers] When the language of the Deity himself is introduced, a deeper tone of voice and a slower delivery may help to produce greater solemnity and awe.

THE LESSONS.

THE LESSONS] In specifying from what parts of Scripture the Lessons, as well as the Epistles and Gospels, are taken, it is required to be distinctly audible; but to adopt a solemn emphatic manner, as if the most important truths were announced, betrays great want of judgment.—With respect to the manner of reading the Lessons, the direction of the Ru-

bric deserves particular attention. They are "to be read distinctly, with an audible voice: he that readeth so standing and turning himself, as he may be best heard of all such as are present." This latter direction is very important; because the greater part of the congregation are less conversant with the Lessons, than with the other parts of the service.—The custom of always looking over the Psalms and Lessons in private, before reading them in public, will be found to be extremely useful. See Preface, Sect. 13.]

In some of the narrative parts of the Old Testament, the frequent and redundant repetition of the conjunction and is very observable; which peculiarity some readers render still more conspicuous by always pronouncing the word with considerable force, as if it were of primary importance. Such a practice becomes very wearisome to the ears of the congregation. Other readers, anxious to avoid this error, clip the word into the shortened sound of end. The correction of both these errors may be best accomplished by giving right inflections and proper force to the words that are of real consequence; by so doing, the unimportant and cannot fail of becoming properly feeble, and passing without accent, though still it may be pronounced distinctly.

THE TE DEUM *.

PART I.

A Doxology.

1. Wé' práise-thee-'O'-Gód; we ackn'owledge the''e' to bé the Lond;

* The language of this Hymn, observes Dr. Bennet, is won-

2. All the earth' doth worship the"e, the Father everlasting;

derfully sublime and affectionate, and we cannot utter any thing more pious and heavenly. Let our souls be warmed with correspondent affections. Let us mentally speak the versicles which we do not pronounce with the lips, and make the whole Hymn one continued act of ardent and intense devotion. "And," continues the same writer, "let me entreat my brethren of the Clergy, not to begin this Hymn too hastily. After they have said 'Here endeth the first Lesson,' let them make a small pause, till the people have time to rise from their seats, and compose themselves for the recitation of this solemn Hymn.—After each of the Lessons, both in the morning and evening service, the same method should be observed before the beginning of any other Hymn or Psalm." Paraphrase on the Common Prayer.

The reader may be assisted in delivering this sublime Hymn, by observing the three distinct parts of which it consists. The nine first verses are expressive of praise and adoration. In the tenth commences a solemn confession of faith, but still addressed to the Deity, and this is followed by earnest supplication, continued to the end. Each part must be delivered in a manner suited to its peculiar character.]

- 1. We] This word requires a slight pause after it, if the paraphrase of Dr. Nichols be considered to convey the real meaning: "We, the congregation of thy faithful people now gathered together."—An enumeration here begins of those who join in adoration:—'We' who are here assembled;—'all the earth;'—'all angels;'—the justified spirits of 'Apostles, Prophets, and Martyrs.'
- -O God] The construction of the first sentence in the original Latin, is very peculiar, and the meaning not very

- 3. To THE'E' all an'gels cr'y aloud; the Heàvens, and all the powers-therein;
- 4. To the'e, Cherubin and Séraphin' continually-do-cry,
 - 5. Höly,, höly,, hóly-Lórd-Gòd of Saba"oth!

obvious: 'Te Deum' instead of 'Te, Deus, laudamus.' All doubt, however, is removed by our English version, which in this verse, as well as in the 5th, has improved upon the original.]

5. Holy, holy, &c.] This and the following versicle are adopted, with slight alteration, from the Hymn of the Seraphim recorded in Isaiah vi. 3,: "Holy, holy, holy (is) the Lord (Jehovah) of hosts; the whole earth (is) full of his glory." In the original Latin of the Te Deum, the first of these sentences is left in its affirmative form: "Sanctus. sanctus, sanctus, Dominus Deus Sabaoth;" but the second sentence is changed into a direct address, by substituting 'gloria tua' for 'gloria ejus': "Pleni sunt cœli et terra gloria tua." Probably this alteration was introduced to make the sentence accord better with the context. In this form the words stand in "the Roman Catholic Ordinary of the Mass," as well as in the Te Deum. But in the English version, our Reformers appear to have gone further in their desire of adaptation and of making the meaning perfectly clear. They render "Sanctus, sanctus, sanctus Dominus Deus Sabaoth," by "Holy, holy, holy: Lord God of Sabaoth;" thus omitting. the article 'the' before 'Lord God,' they give to the sentence the form of an invocation. (It is scarcely necessary to mention, that the colon is merely for the guidance of the choir.) It is further to be remarked that the words occur in a similar connexion in the Communion Service: "Holy, holy, holy,

- 6. Heaven and earth' are full of the majesty of th \bar{y} glóry.
- 7. The glorious company of the *Apostles'*-práise-thée;
- 8. The goodly fellowship of the *Próphets*'-práise-thée;
 - 9. The noble army of martyrs'-praise-thèe.

PART II.

A Confession of Faith.

- 10. The Holy Church throughout all the world, doth ackn'owledge THE";
 - 11. The Fa'ther, of an infinite majesty;
 - 12. Thine honourable, true, and only Son:
 - 13. Also' the Holy Ghost—the Comforter.
 - 14. Thóu art the King of Glóry-O'-Christ;
- 15. Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.

Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory." If therefore they are to be considered as an invocation, no pause will be required between the last 'Holy' and 'Lord,' and the versicle must be connected with the following one by giving to 'sabaoth' the conjunctive inflection.]

- -Sabáoth] For the pronunciation of this word, see the Appendix.
- 15. —Són of the Fàther] Some readers make a considerable pause after the word 'Son,' and give emphasis to 'of,' conceiving that this verse contains two propositions: first, 'Thou art the everlasting Son;' and secondly, 'Of the Fa-

- 16. When thou tookest-upon-thee' to deliver man, thou didst-not abhor' the Virgin's womb-
- 17. When thou hadst overcome' the sharpness of dea"th—thou didst open the kingdom of héaven, to A'LL-believers.
- 18. Thou sittest at the right-hand of Gód, in the glory of the Fàther.
 - 19. We believe' (story) that thou shall come' to be

our Ju'dge;

PART III.

A Supplication.

- 20. We therefore pray-thee, hélp-thy-servants, whom thou hast redéemed' with thy precious bléod;
- 21. Make-them' to be numbered with thy saints' in glory everlasting;
- ther,' i. e. 'who wast begotten of the Father.' This however cannot be the meaning; for the words of the original are not 'ex Patre,' but 'Patris:' 'Tu Patris sempiterans es Filius.']
- 17.—A'LL believers] i. e. "as well patriarchs and prophets who expected thy coming, as those who saw thee in the flesh, and those who believe on thee afterward on their testimony."—Nichols. If this signification be attached to the expression, the strong emphasis must be given to the word 'all'?
- 19. The reader will be careful to mark, by suitable change of manner, the transition from Confession of Faith to expanse Supplication.]

- 22. O Lord, save thy people, and bless thine héritage;
 - 23. Góvern-them, and lift them úp' for èver.
 - 24. Dày by dáy we mâgnify-thee;
- 25. And we worship that name' e'ver, world without ènd.
- 26. Vouchsáfe'-O-Lord, to kéep us this-day' without sin.
- 27. Ō Lord, have *mercy*-upon-us, have *mercy*-upon us;
- 28. O Lord, let thy morey lighten-upon us, as our trúst is in thès.
- 29. O Lord, in thèe have I tru"sted,, let me ne'ver be confounded.
- 25. —thy name' ever] The word 'ever' is very commonly, but very erroneously, joined with 'world without end.' A pause should be made between them, because the latter expression is a strong mode of repeating the sentiment contained in the word 'ever.']

THE BENEDICITE.

1. O áll ye wórks of the Lórd, bless-ye-the-Lord, práise-him and mágnify him' for èver.

Benedicite] Where the First Lesson treats of the Creation,

- 2. O all ye A'ngels-of-the-Lord,, bléss-ye-the Lord, práise him and mágnify-him' for èver.
- 3. O ye *Heávens*,, bléss-ye the Lòrd, práise him and màgnify him' for éver.
- 4. O ye waters that be above the firmament,, bless-ye-the-Lord, praise him and magnify-him for ever.
- 5. O all ye *pówers*-of-the-Lord, bléss-ye-the-Lord, praise-him and magnify him' for ever.
- 6. O ye sun and moon,, bless yè-the-Lord, praise him and magnify him' for ever.
- 7. O ye stars of Heaven,, bless ye the Lord, praise him and magnify him for ever.

or any extraordinary exercise of God's power, or providence, especially that recorded in the third chapter of Daniel, this canticle may, with propriety and advantage, be substituted for the 'Te Deum.'

The recurrence of the same expressions in every verse, is apt in the delivery to become wearisome to the ear—a defect which it is not easy to obviate. The attentive reader will however observe, that a few changes in the accentuation may be introduced, for the sake of variety, as well as of marking those verses which justly admit particular emphasis. It is to be remembered that in every verse, emphasis is required on the object addressed, as well as on the words 'bless, praise, magnify, and ever:' and that the tones of rapture and adoration are peculiarly proper throughout the whole canticle.]

2. — for ever] These words refer to both the preceding verbs "praise" and "magnify," and therefore should be separated from the latter verb by a pause.]

- 8. O ye showers and dew,, bless ye the Lord, praise him and magnify him' for ever.
- 9. O ye winds of Gód,, bléss yè-the-Lord, pràise him and màgnify him' for éver.
- 10. O ye *fire* and *heat*,, bless ye the Lord, praise him and magnify him' for éver.
- 11. O ye winter and sùmmer,, blèss-ye the Lórd, práise him and màgnify him' for éver.
- 12. O ye dews and frosts,, bless ye the Lord, praise him and magnify him' for éver.
- 13. O ye *frost* and *còld*, bless ye the Lórd, práise him and mágnify him' for éver.
- 14. O ye *ice* and *snòw*,, bless ye the Lord, praise him, and magnify him for ever.
- 15. O ye nights and dàys,, blèss ye the Lórd, pràise him and màgnify-him for éver.
- 16. O ye *light* and *darkness*,, bless ye the Lord, praise him and magnify him' for ever.
- 17. O ye *lightnings* and *clòuds*, bléss ye the Lòrd, práise him and mágnify him' for èver.
- 18. O let the *earth*-bless-the-Lord; yea, let it praise him and magnify him' for èver.
- 19. O ye mountains and hills,, bless yè-the-Lord, práise him and mágnify him' for evèr.
- 20. O all ye green-things-upon-the-earth,, bless ye the Lord, praise him, and magnify him for ever.

- 21. O ye wells, bless-ye the Lord, praise him and magnify him' for ever.
- 22. O ye seas and floods,, bless ye the Lord, praise him and magnify him' for ever.
- 23. O ye whâles, and all that move in the wâters,, blèss ye the Lórd, pràise him and mágnify him' for èver.
- 24. O all ye fowls of the air,, blèss ye the Lord, praise him and magnify him' for ever.
- 25. O all ye beasts and càttle,, bless ye the Lord, praise him and magnify him for ever.
- 26. O ye children of men, bless ve'-the-Lord, praise him and magnify him' for ever.
- 27. (*) O let Isr'AEL-bless-the-Lord, práise him and mágnify him' for éver.
- 28. O ye *Priests*-of-the-Lord, bléss-ye-the-Lord, praise him and magnify him' for éver.
- 29. O ye sérvants-of-the-Lord,, bless ye''-the-Lord, práise him and mágnify him for éver.
- 30. O ye spirits, and souls of the righteous,, bless ye the Lord, praise him and magnify him' for éver.
- 31. (Slow) O ye holy and himble-men-of-heart,, bléss ye the Lòrd, pràise him and mágnify him—for èver.
 - 32. O Ananias, Azarias, and Misael,, bless-

yè-the-Lord, praise him and magnify him' for èver.

(*) Glóry' be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghóst;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever s'hall be' world without end. Amen.

THE BENEDICTUS *.

Luke i. 68.

- 1. Bléssed' be the Lord God of I'srael; for he hath visited and redéemed-his-people:
- 2. And hath raised-up' a mighty salvationfor-us, in the house of his servant David;
- 3. As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets, which have been since the world began;
- 4. That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hands of all that hateus;
- * The Benedictus may be used with peculiar propriety when the second Lesson relates to John the Baptist, or to the commencement of our Lord's history.

- 5. (*) To perform the *mércy* promised to our forefathers, and to remember his *holy côve-nant*;
- 6. To perform the oath, which he sware to our forefather A'braham, that he would giveus;
- 7. That wé, being delivered out of the hands of our énemies, might sérve *Him* without féar:
- 8. In holiness and righteousness-before-him, all the days of our life.
- 9. And THÓU' child,, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest; for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord, to prepare his ways;
- 10. To give knowledge of salvation unto his péople, for the remission of their sins,
- 11. Through the tènder mércy of our Gòn; whereby the dày-spring from on high' hath visited-us:
- 12. To give *light* to them that sit in *darkness*, and in the *shadow* of *déath*,, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
- 5. To perform the mercy] The third and fourth verses are within a parenthesis. To mark this, louder tones may be adopted in beginning the fifth.

(*) Glory' be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Gho"st;

As it wás in the beginning, is nów, and èver sháll-be' wórld without ènd. Amen.

THE JUBILATE.

Psalm c.

1. \overline{O} be jòyful in the Lórd, all ye lands; sèrve-the-Lord with gládness, and come before his présence with a song.

O be joyful] The following remark is extracted from a work, published thirty years ago. That the first part of it is altogether inapplicable to the present times, is perhaps more than can be safely affirmed:—" After the second Lesson, many Divines, as if they were fatigued with reading a chapter, begin the following psalm in such a low tone, and in so feeble a manner, that, what with the method of their delivery, and that of the congregation after them, the whole is run and gabbled over so inarticulately, that all public devotional effect is completely and effectually destroyed. The sense of it clearly shows (and the two first lines alone are sufficient to prove the necessity) that it ought to be given with a lofty tone, expressive of joyful praise to the Creator for his gracious mercy towards us, and of a full reliance on his goodness and bounty."

- 2. Be ye sire that the Lord H'E is God; it it hé'-that hath màde-us, and not' we oursélees: wé are his péople, and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3. Ō go your way into his gàtes' with thánksgiving, and into his courts with pràise: be thànkful-unto-him, and speak góod-of-hisname:
- 4. For the Lord is gracious; his mercy is everlasting; and his tru'th endureth from generation to generation.

 60 Glory be to the Father, &c.

Glory be] The Doxology, in this place, should be pronounced in a slow, solemn, and impressive manner, and perhaps, in a *lower* key.

THE APOSTLES' CREED *.

I believe' in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth;

• This Creed requires to be read with a firm, even tone of voice, with distinctness and solemnity; to which nothing

And in Jesus Christ, his only Són, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost; bórn of the Virgin Màry; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, déad, and bùried; he descénded into hell; the third-day he rose-again-from-the-dead; he ascended into héaven, and sitteth on the rìght hand of Gód, the Father Almighty; from thènce he shall come to judge the quick and the deàd.

will contribute so much as a due observance of the pauses. These pauses may be prolonged more than would be requisite in other places, in order to prevent, as much as possible, that uninterrupted continuation of confused sounds, which is generally the consequence of the people and the minister's speaking together.—The construction of this, as well as the Nicene Creed, admits the conjunctive inflection at the end of most of the clauses; but the disjunctive has a more distinctive effect.

His only Son our Lord In the usual mode of repeating these five words, the sense is very imperfectly conveyed. The reader must observe that every word is emphatic.

—suffered' under, &c.] The common error must be avoided of connecting the word 'under' with 'suffered.']

-he rose again] This expression implies no more than 'he rose.' As the word 'again' is redundant, it must pass under the inflection given to the word 'rose.' He rose again' would signify that he rose more than once.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the bódy, and the life everlàsting. Amen.

I believe in the Holy Ghost] After a considerable pause, this division should be commenced and continued in the same firm and even tone that was recommended at the beginning. The three concluding articles, should, on account of their pre-eminent importance to us, be pronounced very slowly and impressively.

THE VERSICLES.

Minister. The Lord be with-you.

Answer. And with thy spirit.

The Lord be with you] The firm, distinct, unimpassioned manner which was adopted in repeating the Creed, must here be changed for one that is more suitable to the expression of a pious wish.—To direct the sentence to be read thus, "The Lord be with you," appears to be erroneous; because in the words of the Priest, there is no anticipation that a contradistinction to them will be expressed in the reply of the people.] And with thy spirit] i. e. 'May the Lord be with thy spirit.' These words are addressed to the Minister.

For the Lord's Prayer, see p. 73.

Priest. O Lord, show thy mércy-upon-us;

Answer. And grant-us thy salvation.

Priest. O Lord, save the king;

Answer. And mèrcifully héar-us, when we call-upon-thee.

Priest. Endue thy ministers with righteousness:

Answer. And make thy chôsen-people' jòyful.

Let us pray After gently addressing these words to the people, and making a considerable pause, the following versicles require the utmost fervency of devotional expression.

—show thy mércy-upon-us] Strong emphasis will be given to the word 'mercy,' and a slight secondary accent to the preposition 'upon.' The word 'us' is sometimes pronounced forcibly with the rising inflection. The signification of such suspensive emphasis would, according to Rule xxx, be somewhat to the following effect: 'Show thy mercy upon ús, but act as thou shalt think fit towards others.' Such a meaning must, of course, be inadmissible.]

—thy chosen people] The commentators say that "thy chosen people," or as in the original (Psalm cxxxii. 9. 16.)

Priest. O Lord, save thy péople;

Answer. And bless thine inhéritance.

Priest. Give péace'-in-our-time'-O-Lord;

Answer. Because' there is none óther-that-fighteth-for-us, but only thòu,-O-God.

Priest. O God; make cledn our héarts-within-us;

Answer. And take-not thy Holy Spirit fromus.

"thy saints," and "thy people," and "thine inheritance," all mean precisely the same persons; being applied by the psalmist to the people of the Jews, and by us to the whole body of Christians. If so, this and the following versicle would require to be read thus: "Make thy chosen péople' jòyful (in contradistinction to 'thy ministers'); O Lord, savethy-people:"—But from the position of the words in the present place, and of the corresponding expression 'thy-saints' in the Psalm, it is probable that they are used, in both places, as synonymous with 'ministers' or 'priests.']

(Here follows the Collect for the day.)

THE COLLECTS *.

THE SECOND COLLECT; -- FOR PEACE,

OGod, who art the author of peace' and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom' standeth our eternal life; whose service' is perfect free' dom—defend us' thy humble servants' in all assanlts of our enemies; that we, surely-trusting in thy'-defence, may-not fear the power of any-adversaries—through the might' of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Collects require a distinct and deliberate utterance, solemn and even tones, accompanied with an earnestness and fervency, showing that the *heart* is in the business. In approaching the end of each prayer, the rate of utterance, instead of being quickened, as often happens, ought to become more slow; in order that the whole may be concluded with that impressiveness of manner, which will mark the importance we attach to the petition, and the reverence we feel for the Mediator.]

—through Jesus Christ, &c.] It must be observed that the intercession clause, which concludes this and many other Prayers, often refers not merely to the petition which immediately precedes, but to all the petitions in the Collect. To convey this notion, some readers terminate the penultimate

THE THIRD COLLECT; -FOR GRACE.

O Lord, our Heavenly Fáther, Almighty and everlasting Gód,, who hast safely-brought-us to the beginning of-this-day—defend-us in-the-same' with thy mighty power: and grant' that this-day' we fall into nó sin, neither rún into any-kind of dánger; but' that all our dóings' may be ordered by thy' góvernance, to do álvays

clause with the falling inflection, thus:—"that is righteous in thy-sight," and then subjoin the following words, "through Jesus Christ our Lord," in a lower tone and rapid manner. This mode does not satisfy the ear, which expects the usual rising inflection, preparatory to an entire conclusion; and it likewise slurs over that important part of a Christian prayer, which expresses its hope of being accepted through the mediation of Jesus Christ alone. The meaning will be best conveyed by terminating the penultimate member with the rising inflection, (according to Rule xvii.) and then, after a considerable pause, delivering the final words in an under tone, but slowly and solemnly.

The student will likewise observe, that the last word in the Collects receives the falling inflection. This is adopted because the concluding member "through Jesus Christ our Lord," (like the more lengthened phrases to which it is equivalent,) is to be considered not as a supplication, but as a reason assigned for the acceptance of the whole prayer; and therefore, the final inflection would be that which is commonly used at a period. (See p. 29.)—But even

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that' is righteous-in-thy-sight—through Jesus Christ our Lord.

if these concluding expressions should be considered as petitions, still they may properly end with the conclusive inflection (according to Rule xxII,) because the words may be conceived to imply more than is actually expressed:—e. g. "And this we beg (not for the sake of any other person or thing, but) for Jesus Christ's-sake."—"Grant this, for the honour (not of any human being, but) of Jesus Christ."—As the abridged expression "through Jesus Christ our Lord" conveys the same meaning as the more lengthened sentences, it will therefore be terminated with the same inflection.]

Amen.] The transition from one Collect to another, is often made too rapidly. A considerable pause between each, gives relief to the mind, and prevents that exhaustion which soon results from the exercise of its faculties in earnest prayer.]

—that' is righteous] That being here used in a peculiar sense, equivalent to what or that which, may receive a separate inflection.

A PRAYER FOR THE KING'S MAJESTY.

O Lord, our héavenly Fáther,, high and

O Lord] The exordium of this Prayer admits much of solemn and fervent delivery. The pauses must be carefully observed.

-high and mighty] The frequent repetition of the same inflection will produce something of a monotone, which will add to the solemnity.

Ruler of princes;—who dost, from thy throne, behold all the dwellers upon ea'rth;—most heartily we beseech-thee, with thy favour to behold' our most gracious Sovereign Lord, King George: and so replénish-him' with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, that he' may alway incline to thy will, and walk in thy way: Endue him plénteously with heavenly-gifts; grant him, in health and wealth, long-to-live; strengthen-him' that he may vanquish and overcome' all his énemies; and finally—after this-life, he may attain' everla'sting-joy-and-felicity—through Jesus Christ' our Lord.

[—]of princes] This clause is often erroneously read with a lower tone and the falling inflection on the word 'princes,' as if the sense were complete. The same error often may be observed on the word 'earth' at the end of the next clause.]

[—]grant him, in health] Observe that the pause must be before the preposition 'in,' and not after it.]

[—]everlasting-joy-and-felicity] Temporal joy and felicity having been prayed for, in the preceding parts of the Collect, the word "everlasting" in the penultiment clause becomes emphatic.

A PRAYER FOR THE ROYAL FAMILY,

Almighty Gód, the fómtain of all góodness—we humbly beséech-thee to bless' all the Róyal Fàmily. Endúe-them' with thy Hóly Spìrit; enrich-them' with thy heávenly gràce; pròsperthem' with all happiness; and bring-them' to thine everla" sting-kingdom—through Jesûs Christ our Lòrd.

The Róyal Fàmily In contradistinction to the King, for whom prayer was made in the preceding Collect.

A PRAYER FOR THE CLERGY AND THE PEOPLE.

Almighty' and everlasting Gód, who alóne workest great márvels—send down' upon our Bishops, and Curates, and all Congregations committed to their chárge, the healthful spirit of thy gráce; and that they may trúly-please-thee, póur-upon-them' the continual-dew-of-thy-blessing. Grant this, \overline{O} Lōrd,

for the honour of our Advocate and Médiator'

Jésus Christ.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM.

Almighty Gód, who hast given us gráce' at this-time' with óne accòrd to make our cómmon-supplications-unto-thée; and dost prómise, that when twó or thrèe' are gathered together in th'y-name, thou wilt gra''nt-their-requests—fulfil nòw'-O-Lord, the desires and petítions-of-thy-servants, ás-may-be móst expèdient-for-them; granting-us in thìs-world' knowledge of thy trúth, and— and in the world to cóme' life ēvērlàsting.

2 Cor. xIII. 14.

The gráce of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the

The grace, &c.] In pronouncing this Benedictory Prayer, the three distinct attributes, referred to the three persons in the Godhead, ought to be pointed out by due emphasis and pauses. In a cursory mode of delivery, the conjunctive slide may be given at the end of two members of the series; but the disjunctive will convey the sense with more distinctness

love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Gho'st, wood be with-us a'll—evermore.

and force. The direction under Rule xv. respecting the manner of reading a series should be here carefully observed, the second member being pronounced more forcibly than the first, and the third than the second.]

—be with us all.] Sheridan thinks that the preposition ' with ' is unimportant and undeserving of stress, and directs a strong emphasis to be given to the word 'be.' The correctness of this advice is questionable. The words "be with," when taken together, are equivalent to 'accompany' or 'attend;' but the verb 'be,' when taken alone, would convey no such meaning; therefore 'with' demands as much attention as 'be.'—The usual manner, adopted in conversation, of pronouncing such phrases as 'Peace be with you;' 'Happiness be with you,' &c. giving a secondary accent to the word 'with' rather than to the verb 'be,' points out the most natural, and therefore the most proper mode of pronouncing similar expressions in Divine Service. The only difference will consist in the greater slowness and solemnity of utterance.] Considerable emphasis will be required on the word 'all,' as extending the benediction to the whole and each individual of the congregation; and on the word 'evermore,' as expressing its unlimited duration.

THOSE PARTS OF THE EVENING SERVICE WEICH ARE NOT CONTAINED IN THAT OF THE MORNING.

MAGNIFICAT, LUKE I. 46 *.

- 1. My soul' doth mágnify the Lòrd; and my spirit hath rejoiced' in Gòd my Sáviour;
- 2. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his hand-maiden.
- 3. For behold, from henceforth, all generations' shall call mè bléssed;
- 4. For He that is mighty, hath magnified-me; and holy is his name:
- 5. And his me''rcy' is on them that fear-him—throughout all generations.
- 6. He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
- 7. He hath pút dòwn the mìghty' from their séat; and hath exálted' the húmble and mèek.
- 8. He hath filled the hungry with good-things; and the rich he hath sent émpty away.
- * A cheerful, animated manner, expressive of joy and gratitude, is suited to the delivery of the four following portions of Scripture.

9. Hé, remembering his mércy, hath hólpen his sérvant *l'srael*; as he *pròmised* to our fórefathers, A'braham' and his séed—for èver.

He, remembering, &c.] A perspicuous arrangement of this verse is given in Bishop Jehb's Sacred Literature, p. 401.]

CANTATE DOMINO *.

Psalm xcviii.

- 1. O sing unto the Lord a new-song; for he hath done marvellous things.
- 2. With his own right hand and with his holy arm, hath he gotten-himself the victory.
- 3. The Lord declared his salvation: his righteousness hath he opénly-shewed, in the sight of the heathen.
- 4. He hath remembered his mercy and truth toward the house of *I'srael*; and all the *ènds* of the *world* have seen the salvation of our Gòd.
- * By frequently substituting this Psalm for the Magnificat, the interest, as well as variety of the service, will be increased.]

- 5. Show-yourselves jóyful-unto-the-Lord, all ye lands; sing, rejóice, and give thanks.
- 6. Práise-the-Lord upon the hàrp: síngto-the-harp' with a psálm of thànksgiving.
- 7. With trùmpets-also' and shawms, O shòw-yourselves jóyful' before the *Lórd*, the Kìng.
- 8. Let the sèa make a nóise, and áll that therein is; the round world, and they that dwell therein.
- 9. Let the *floods* clap their hands, and let the *hills*' be joyful-together' before the Lord;—
 for he cometh' to Judge-the-earth.
- 10. With righteousness shall-he-judge-theworld, and the people with èquity.

NUNC DIMITTIS.

Luke 11. 29.

- 1. Lord, now lettest-thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word;
 - 2. For mine eyes' have seen thy salvátion;
- 3. Which thou hast prepared, before the face-of-áll-people;

- 4. To be a light to lighten the Géntiles, and to be the glóry of thy people I srael.
- ₹ 3. —the face of all-people] This verse should terminate with the rising inflection, to show its connexion with the following verse.

DEUS MISEREATUR *.

Psalm LXVII.

- 1. God be mérciful-unto-us, and blèss us; and show-us the light of his countenance, and be mérciful-unto-us;
- 2. That thy way may be known upon earth; thy saving-health among all-nations.
- 3. Let the people *práise*-thee'-O-God; yea, let A'LL-the-people' *pràise*-thee.
- 4. Olet the nations rejoice and be glad; for thou shalt judge-the-folk righteously, and govern the nations upon earth.
- * This Psalm may be used alternately with the Nunc Dimittis.
- 1.—and be mérciful-unto-us] This verse is connected with the following.

- 5. Let the people práise-thee'-O-God: yea, let a'll-the-people'-pràise-thee.
- 6. Then shall the earth bring forth her increase; and God, even our ówn-God, shall give us his blèssing.
- 7. God shall blèss-us; and all the ends of the world' shall fear Him.

. THE SECOND COLLECT AT EVENING PRAYER.

O Gōd, from whóm' all hóly desires, all góod coinsels, and all júst works' do procéed—give unto thy servants' that peace, which the world' ca'nnot-give; that bóth' our hearts may be sét' to obéy thy commandments, and also' that by thée, wé' being defended from the féar of our énemies, may pass our time in rèst and quietness—through the mérits' of Jésus Christ' our Sàviour.

THE THIRD COLLECT.

Lighten our dárkness, we BESE"ECH-thee'-O-LORD; and' by thy grèat mêrcy, defend-us from all perils and dangers of this night—for the love of thy only Són, our Sáviour' Jésus Christ.

THE CREED OF ST. ATHANASIUS *.

Quicunque Vult.

- 1. Whosoever will be saved,—before allthings it is necessary that he hold the Catholic Faith.
- 2. Which-faith' except évery-one do kéep whole and undéfiled, without doubt' he shall pérish everlàstingly.
 - 3. And the Cátholic-Faith is this:—that we
- *Though this Creed abounds in antithesis, yet it does not require the use of much emphasis in repeating it. Such a mode would give it too much of a positive and dogmatic air. A plain, modest, solemn delivery, seems most becoming, whilst declaring our belief in truths, the full comprehension of which is placed far above the powers of the human mind.]

worship' onè-God in Trinity, and Trinity in U'nity;

- 4. Neither confounding the Pérsons, nor dividing the substance.
- 5. For there is one-Person of the Father; another of the Son; and another of the Holy Ghost.
- 6. But the Go"dhead-of-the-Fáther, of-the-Són, and-of-the-Holy-Ghóst, is áll one: the Glòry' équal, the Májesty' co-etèrnal.
- 7. Sùch as the Fáther-is, súch is the Sòn; and súch' is the Hóly Ghòst.
- 8. The Fáther' uncreate, the Són-uncreate, and the Hóly Ghòst-uncreate.
- 9. The Fáther' incomprehensible; the Són-incomprehensible; and the Holy-Ghòst-incomprehensible.
- 10. The Fáther' etèrnal; the Són-eternal, and the Holy Ghòst-eternal.
- 11. And yet, they are not thrée-eternals, but one-eternal.
- 12. As also, there are not three incomprehensibles, nor three uncreated; but *one*-uncreated, and one incomprehensible.
 - 13. So, likewise, the Fáther is Almighty,

the Són-Almighty, and the Hóly Ghòst-Almighty;

- 14. And yet, they are not thrée-Almighties, but one Almighty.
- 15. Só, the Fáther is Gòd, the Són-is-God, and the Hóly Ghòst-is-God;
- 16. And yet, there are not three Gods, but one God.
- 17. So, likewise, the Fáther is Lòrd; the Són-Lord; and the Hóly Ghòst-Lord;
 - 18. And yet, not three Lords, but one-Lord.
- 19. For, like as we are compelled by the Christian vérity, to acknówledge èvery pérson by himself, to be God and Lord;
- 20. So are we forbidden by the Catholick-Religion to say, there be three Gods, or three Lords.
- 21. The Fáther' is made of none: neither created, nor begotten.
- 22. The Són' is of the Fáther alòne: nòt máde, nor creáted, bùt-begotten.
 - 23. The Holy Ghóst is of the Fáther and of
- 19. every person by himself. These words are frequently read thus; "Every-person by himself." This mode does not convey the idea that 'person' refers to the Deity.]

the Son: neither made, nor créated, nor begétten,, but procèeding.

- 24. So, there is one Father, not three-Fathers; one Son, not three-Sons; one Holy Ghost, not three-Holy-Ghosts.
- 25. And in this Trinity, none is afore, or after-other; none is greater, or less-than-another:
- 26. But the whóle thrée Persons are co-etérnal-together, and co-èqual.
- 27. So that in all-things, as is aforesaid, the U'nity in Trinity, and the Trinity in U'nity,, is to be worshipped.
- 28. Hé therefore that will be saved, must thùs-think of the Trinity.
- 29. Furthermore, it is necessary to everlasting salvation, that he also believe rightly the Incarnation of our Lord' Jesus Christ.
- 30. For the right-faith is, that we believe and confess, that our Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God,, is God, and man:
- 31. Gód, of the súbstance of the Fàther, begótten befóre the worlds; and màn, of the sùbstance of his móther, bórn in-the-world.
- 32. Pérfect Gòd and pèrfect mán, of a reasonable soùl and hùman flésh subsisting.

- 83. E'qual-to-the-Father, as touching his Godhead; and inférior-to-the-Father, as touching his manhood.
- 34. Who, although he be Gòd and mán, yet he is not twó, but oné Chrìst.
- 35. One, not by conversion of the Godhead into flesh; but by taking of the manhood into God.
- 36. O'ne altogèther; not by confusion of súbstance, but by unity of pèrson:
- 37. For as the reasonable soul and flèsh, is onè man, is one Christ;
- 38. Who suffered for our salvation; descended into hell; rose-again the third-day from the dead;
- 39. He ascended into Heaven; he sitteth on the right-hand of the Father, God Almighty: from whence he shall come—to judge the queck and the dead.
- 40. At whose coming, all-men shall rise again with their bodies, and shall give account for their own works.
- 41. (800) And they that have done good, shall go into liⁿfe-everlasting; and they that have done évil, to into everlásting fire.

42. This is the *Càtholic*-Faith; which except a man believe faithfully, he cannot be saved.

THE LITANY.

THE INVOCATIONS.

1. Ō Gōd the *Fáther*' of héaven—have ME'RCY-upon-us, miserable sinners.

The Litany All prayers demand an earnest and solemn delivery; but, if it be possible, a degree of earnestness and solemnity greater than usual, is required in the commencing versicles of the Litany. This may be obtained by adopting a lower voice, deeper tones, slower delivery, and longer pauses. The Minister must likewise be especially careful throughout the Litany, as well as all other parts of the service, to allow sufficient time for the people's response.]

O God the Fáther' of heaven] The common way of reading the commencement of the Litany, occasioned by erroneous punctuation and a defect in the composition, conveys the idea that we address God as 'Father, or Creator, of heaven,' and not as Father in contradistinction to the Son and Holy Ghost, who are the objects of the subsequent invocations. A pause after the word 'Father,' is absolutely necessary to convey the true meaning: "O God the Fáther, of héaven"—that is, "who dwellest in heaven." (Abridged from Sheridan.)

The Latin of the Roman Catholic Breviary, from which it

- 2. O God the Són, Redeèmer of the world—have ME'RCY-upon-us, miserable sinners.
- 3. O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Són—have ME'RCY-upon-us, miserable sínners.
- 4. O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity,, thrée Pèrsons and one Gód—have ME"RCY-uponus, miserable sinners.

THE DEPRECATIONS.

5. Remémber-not'-Lórd, our-offences, nórthe-offences of our *fòrefathers*; neither take thou *vèngeance*-of-our-sins: *spáre*-us'-good-

is probable this commencement was translated, is very peculiar: "Pater de cœlis, Deus." This savours of the style of the middle ages, and looks like a translation from the French, père de ciel, or from the Italian, padre di cielo. It is observable that the Litanies, given in Pope Gregory's Sacramentary, have no such commencement.]

—upon-us, miserable sinners] See the note respecting the reading of a similar construction in the General Confession, p. 69.

THE DEPRECATIONS] The minister must be careful to adopt the rising inflection at the end of his part of these Deprecations, to show that the sentence is left to be completed by the people.

-vengeance-of-our-sins] 'Sins' are equivalent to offences,' which have been previously expressed in the same versicle;

Lord; spáre-thy-people' whom thou hast redéemed' with thy most prècious blood, and bénot ángry-with-us' for e"ver". Spare-us'-good-Lord.

- 6. From áll évil and mischief; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the dévil; (Bloy) from thy wràth; and from everlàsting damna tion,

 Good Lord, deliver-us.
- 7. From all blindness of heart: from pride, vain-glory and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice, and a''ll-uncharitableness, Good Lord, deliver-us.
- 8. From fornication, and all other-deadlysin; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the de"vil,

Good Lord, deliver-us.

therefore (by Rule 25) the inflection will fall upon the word 'vengeance.'

—all other deadly-sin] We have already prayed, in the second Deprecation, to be delivered 'from sin;' here we pray to be delivered 'from fornication and all other deadly-sin;' by which, says Wheatly, we understand not such as are deadly by way of distinction, or as they stand in opposition to remial sins, (for there are no sins venial in their own nature;) but such as are those which David calls presumptuous sins,

9: From lightning and tempest; from plague, pestilence, and famine; from battle and murder, and from su'dden-death,

Good Lord, deliver-us.

10. From all sedition, privy conspiracy, and rebellion; from all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy word and commandment,

Good Lord, deliver-us.

THE OBSECRATIONS.

- 11. By" the my'stery' of thy holy incarnátion; by' 'thy holy nativity, and circumcision;
 by' 'thy báptism, fásting, and tempta"tion,
 Good Lord, deliver-us.
- 12. By' thine agony and bloody sweat; by' thy cross and passion; by' thy precious death and burial; by thy—(*) glorious resurrection

and begs particular preservation from, or those which are most heinous and crying above others."

—from súdden death] We pray to be delivered from 'murder,' that is violent death, and likewise from sudden death, caused by accidental or natural causes.] and ascénsion; and by the coming of the Holy Ghőst,

Good Lord, deliver-us.

13. In all time of our tribulation; in all-time of our wealth; (Slow) in the hour of death, and in the day of ju''dgment,

Good Lord, deliver-us.

THE INTERCESSIONS.

14. Wé sinners' do besēēch-thee to he"ar-us'-

—and by the coming of the Holy Ghost] It must be carefully observed, that, in these Obsecrations, as well as in every other part of the service, the preposition 'By' should be pronounced distinctly and fully, and never suffered to be shortened into 'be.'

THE INTERCESSIONS] A considerable pause, and a delivery somewhat less slow, may be here introduced, to mark the transition from the Observations to the Intercessions.]

14.—hear us, O Lord God] Many readers suppose, that a transition is here made with regard to the Divine Person to whom our prayers are addressed:—that as the Deprecations and Obsecrations are expressly directed to the Son, the Intercessions are addressed either to the Father or to the Holy Trinity. There are however reasons for believing, that the address to the Son is continued throughout all the Intercessions. This is the case in the ancient service called Litania Major, which contains the rudiments of our Litany. See Opera Gregorii Magni, Tom. 3. p. 393 fol. Paris 1705.—That the compilers of the English Liturgy adopted a similar

O-Lord-God; and that it may please-thee to

construction, appears probable from the fact that the same words, 'Good Lord,' which have hitherto been directed to Jesus Christ, are continued in all the responses to the end. The expression likewise in the fourteenth versicle, "Thy holy Church Universal," is generally appropriated to our blessed Saviour. The petition in the last versicle, "Endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit," shows at least that the preceding Intercessions cannot have been addressed to the Holy The words of the Litania Major are decisive: "Ut gratiam Sancti Spiritus cordibus nostris clementer infundere digneris, Domine Jesu, te rogamus."—The opinion proposed in this note, is strengthened by the authority of Bisse and Wheatly. For being thus particular in ascertaining the true meaning, the reason will appear when the right mode of delivering the words "Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us," is to be considered.]

—and that it may please thee, &c.] This sentence, as well as all the subsequent *Intercessions*, is considered by some writers to be incomplete till the people have answered, "We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord." This appears to be the case in the Litany of the Romish Service, from which this petition is taken: "Ut ecclesiam tuam sanctam regere et conservare digneris, te rogamus, audi nos." It is observable that the expression, "We beseech thee to hear us," is not an exact version of the original. The compilers of our Liturgy, therefore, have in this instance, as in others, (see first and fifth verses in the *Te Deum*) altered the construction; a due regard to which alteration must be observed in the mode of reading. The minister's sentence is complete if the right ellipsis be supplied: "We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and (we beseech thee) that it may please thee

rule and govern' thy holy Church universal, in the right way;

We beseech-thee to héar-us'-good-Lord.

to rule and govern thy holy Church universal in the right way." The construction of the latter petition is precisely the same as that which occurs in the penultimate Collect in the Burial Service: "Beseeching thee that it may please thee shortly to accomplish, &c." Such construction is perfectly correct; but the case is materially altered, if the response of the people be taken as part of the sentence. By transposing the inverted member, the passage stands thus: "We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord, that it may please thee to rule and govern, &c." Such phraseology is unlike any thing that can be found throughout the whole Liturgy. It is to be observed, that the same ellipsis of 'We beseech thee,' which occurs in the first Intercession, before 'that it may please thee,' likewise takes place at the beginning of all the subsequent Intercessions and Supplications.

That the minister's sentence is complete in itself, may also be inferred from its terminating with a semicolon. If it had required to be completed by the people's response, it would have ended with a comma, as is the case with each of the Deprecations and Obsecrations. On the whole, there appears reason to conclude that each Intercession, with the subsequent Supplication of the congregation, may be considered as together forming a sentence consisting of two members, each of which may be delivered according to its distinct character, without reference to the other.]

—thy holy Church universal] The word "universal" must be joined with 'Church.' By pausing before 'universal,' instead of after it, the unlearned are led to suppose that 'universal in the right way' means 'always in the right way.]' 15. That it may pléase-thee' to keep and stréngthen' in the trûe-worshipping-of-thee, in righteousness' and holiness of life,, thy servant Ge'orge, our most gracious King and Governor;

We beséech-thee to hear-us'-good-Lord.

- 16. That it may please-thee' to rule his heart' in thy faith, fear, and love; and that he
- 15. That it may please thee] The numerous repetitions of this expression are apt to become wearisome to the ear, and to deaden the attention. To prevent these effects, considerable care is required on the part of the minister. It has been judiciously suggested, that, on the first occurrence of the words, and for a few subsequent repetitions, they may be pronounced with particular slowness and impressiveness. Afterwards they may be less slow; but in approaching the end, the solemn and impressive manner should be resumed. It must however be carefully remembered, that if some parts are delivered less deliberately, in order to give more weight to others, still there must never be a careless volubility. Amidst all the variations of manner which a judicious reader may introduce, he must always maintain the sacred dignity of his pious work.
- in the *true* worshipping of thee] i. e. in the exercise of the *true* religion, or Protestantism.]
- —in righteousness and holiness of life] i. e. "righteousness in all the public acts of his high office; and holiness in all the particular obligations of Christian life." To convey this meaning, a pause is necessary after the word 'righteousness;' and the word 'life' must receive an inflection distinct from that upon 'holiness.']

may évermore' have affiance in thée, and èver séek THY'-honour-and-glory;

We beséech-thee to hear-us'-good-Lord.

17. That it may pléase-thee' to be his defènder and kéeper, giving him the víctory' over áll his ènemies;

We beseech thee to hear-us'-good-Lord.

18. That it may pléase-thee' to bless and presérve' áll the Royal Fàmily;

We beseech thee to hear-us'-good-Lord.

19. That it may pléase-thee' to illúminate all Bishops, Priests, and Déacons' with TRU"E-knowledge-and-understanding of thy' word; and that both' by their prèaching' ànd living,, they may sèt it forth, and show it accordingly;

We beseech thee to héar-us'-good-Lord.

20. That it may pléase-thee, to endue the Lórds of the Council' and all the nobi"lity,, with grace, wisdom, and understanding;

We beséech thee to héar-us'-good-Lord.

21. That it may pléase-thee' to bléss and kéep the màgistrates; giving them gráce' to èxecute jústice, and to maintáin trùth;

We beséech-thee to héar-us'-good-Lord.

20.—all the nobi'lity] Some prefer the following mode of reading—'all-the-nobility:'—but this would imply, that all 'the lords of the council are peers.]

22. That it may please-thee' to bless and keep' áll thy people;

We beséech-thee to héar-us'-good Lord.

23. That it may pléase-thee, to give to A'LL-nations' únity, péace, and concord;

We beséeck-thee to héar-us'-good-Lord.

24. That it may pléase-thee' to give us' a heart to lôve' and drèad thee, and diligently to live' after thy commandments;

We beseech thee to hear us'-good-Lord.

25. That it may pléase-thee' to give to A'LL-thy-people' increase-of-grace, to heàr méekly thy wòrd, and to recéive-it with pure affection, and to bring forth the FRU'ITS-of-the-Spirit;

We beseech-thee to héar-us'-good-Lord.

26. That it may pléase-thee' to bring into the way of tru''th, all súch' as have érred, and are decèived;

We beseech-thee to héar-us'-good-Lord.

^{22.—}áll thy people] i. e. all the commons-of-the land, "who are become thy people, by embracing the true reformed religion." Nichols.

^{23. —}to A'll-nations] Not only to us, the people of this nation, but to all nations.

^{25. —}to give to all-thy-people] Not merely to us, but to all-thy-people, i. e. all Christians.

27. That it may please-thee' to strengthen such as do stand; and to comfort and kelp the weak-hearted; and to raise up them that fa"""; and finally to beat down Satar' under our feet;

We beseech-thee to héar-us'-good-Lord.

28. That it may please-thee to succour, help, and comfort,, all' that are in danger, necessity, and tribulation;

We beseech-thee to héar-us'-good-Lord.

29. That it may pléase-thee' to presérve' áll that travel by land or by water; all women labouring of child; all sick-persons, and young children; and to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives;

We beseeck-thee to hear-us'-good-Lord.

30. That it may pléase-thee, to defend' and provide-for' the fatherless-children, and widows,, and all that are désolate and oppressed;

We beseech thee to héar-us'-good-Lord.

^{27. ---} finally to beat down The adverb 'finally' belongs to 'beat down,' and signifies 'at the last.' Therefore to nause after it, as if it meant 'lastly,' is erroneous.]

⁻Sates For the pronunciation of this word, see the Alphabetical List in the Appendix.

^{30.} This petition is often read thus: 'That it may please thee to defend and provide, for the fatherless children and

31. (Slow) That it may pléase-thee, to have

We beseech-thee to hear-us'-good-Lord.

32. That it may pléase-thee' to forgive our ènemies, pèrsecutors, and slanderers,, and to turn their heàrts;

We beseech-thee to héar-us'-good-Lord.

widows.' Two errors are here introduced: 1st, the preposition 'for' is incorrectly referred to the former verb 'defend,' as well as to the latter verb 'provide;' and 2ndly, this manner of reading the following words, 'the fatherless children and widows,' would imply that the 'widows' were 'fatherless' as well as the 'children.' By inserting pauses after 'for' and 'children,' these misconceptions will be prevented.

The word 'fatherless' is emphatic, being used in contradistinction to the young-children in the preceding petition.

- all our sins, negligences, &c.] i. e. 1. All our deliberate acts of sin; 2. all our sins of negligence, or infirmity; 3. all our sins of ignorance.
- 31.—upon A'LL-men] i. e. have mercy (not only upon those whom we have already specified, but) upon A'LL men:
 —for it is needed by all men. A strong emphasis is sometimes erroneously given to the word 'men.' This would imply, that mercy was asked for men, as contradistinguished either from nomen, or from some other creatures. A similar error is frequently made in the General Thanksgiving, in the expression 'to us and to all men.']

THE SUPPLICATIONS.

33. That it may pléase-thee, to gíve' and presèrve to our úse, the kindly frúits of the earth, só-as' in dùe tíme' we may enjòy-them; We beseech-thee to héar-us'-good-Lord.

34. (Slow) That it mày pléase-thee' to gíve us—

TRU'E REPE'NTANCE; to forgive-us' āll our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue-us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit, to amendour-lives, according to thy Holy word;

We beseech-thee to héar-us'-good-Lord.

Son of Gód,, we beseech thee to héar-us.

Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

O Lámb-of-God, that takest away the sins of the world—

Grant-us thy' péace;

- 33. After a considerable pause, this versicle may be delivered with a less slow and less solemn utterance.]
- 34. to give us] No antithesis is here intended between 'give' and 'forgive;' therefore the accent on the second syllable of the latter word should not be transferred to the first syllable, as is sometimes done.]

Son of Gód, we beseech thee Many readers lay a strong emphasis on 'thee,' under the idea that the Intercessions have been all directed to God the Father, or to the Holy Trinity, and that the present supplications begin a new address to the 'Son of God.' That this opinion is incorrect, see note p. 120.

Ō Lámb-of-God, that takest away the sins of the world—

Have mércy-upon-us.

Ō Christ—heár-us.

O Christ, hear us.

Lord, have *mércy*-upon-us. Our Father, &c. (See p. 73.)

Priest. O Lord—déal-not-with-us' àfter our sins.

Answer. Neither reward-us after our iníquities.

Let us prày.

O God, merciful Fáther, that despisest-not the sighing of a contrite-heart, nor the desire of such as be sour nearly mercifully assist our prayers' that we make before-thee' in all our troubles and adversities, whensoever they oppress-us; and graciously hear-us, that those-evils' which the craft and subtilty of the devil or mán'-worketh-against-us—be brought to nought; and' by the providence of thy good-

Such as be sorrowful] Such as are really sorrowful.

Let us pray A considerable pause should precede, as well as follow these words, which may be pronounced whilst looking round on the congregation.

ness, they may be dispersed; that we' thy servants' being hurt by no persecutions, may evermore give thanks-unto-thee, in thy Holy Church—through Jesus Christ' our Lord.

O Lord' arise, hèlp us' and deliver us' for thy nàme's-sake.

O God—we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared-unto-us, the noble works that thou didst in *théir*-days, and in the *ôld*-time *befòre* them.

O Lord' arise, help-us' and deliver-us for thine honour.

Glory be to the Father, &c. See p. 79.

Priest. From our énemies' defénd-us'-O Christ.

Ans. Graciously look upon our afflictions.

Priest. Pitifully behold' the sorrows of our hearts.

Ans. Mercifully forgive' the sins-of-thy-people.

Priest. Fávourably' with mércy' héar our práyers.

From our *énemies*] The tones of supplication, which had been changed for the full swelling notes of adoration and praise in pronouncing the Doxology, must here be resumed. A considerable pause should precede the commencement of the sentence, to mark the transition with greater clearness.]

Ans. O Son of David, have mércy-upon-us.

Priest. Both nòw and éver-vouchsafe-to-héarus—O Christ.

Ans. Gráciously-hear-us'-O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lórd-Christ.

Priest. O Lord, let thy mèrcy be showed upon ús,

Ans. A's we do put our trúst in theè.

Lèt-us-pray.

We himbly beseech-thee'-O-Fáther,, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and for the glòry of thy náme, túrn-from-us' áll thóse évils' that wé' most righteously have deserved: and gránt, that in àll our troubles, we may pút' our whole trùst and cónfidence' in thy' mèrcy, and èver-

As me do put] This word 'as' signifies 'according as' or 'like as' (see Psalm xxxiii. 21. both in the Prayer Book and in the Bible); therefore the response of the people appears to be antithetic to the words of the minister.]

Lèt-us-pray] These words are supposed by Dr. Nicholls, to signify in this place, "Let us, after this responsory devotion, address ourselves to God in joint and continued prayer." So likewise Dr. Bisse in "The Beauty of Holiness," p. 71. But as it is extremely difficult, if not quite impossible, by any mode of delivering the words, to convey any such meaning, it is better to consider them as again implying, "Let us pray earnestly; let us rèally-pray."]

more serve-thee in hóliness and púreness of líving, to thy' hònour and glóry—through our ónly-Mediator-and-Advocate, Jésus Christ our Lòrd.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM. See p. 104.

THE GRACE OF OUR LORD, &c. Ibid.

PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS UPON SEVERAL OCCASIONS.

In the time of War and Tumults.

O Almighty Gód—Kíng of áll kíngs, and Gòvernor of áll-things; whose pówer' nò-creature is able to resíst; to whom it belóngeth' jústly to púnish sìnners, and to be mérciful to thèm that trùly repént—save and delíver-us' we humbly beséech-thee, from the hánds of our ènemies. Abáte their prìde, assúage their màlice, and confound their devices; that wé, being armed with thy-defence, may be pre-

[—] justly to punish sinners] The word 'justly' appertains to the verb 'to punish,' and not to the preceding verb 'belongeth.'

be thy nàme; thy kingdom' cóme; thy will' be dòne in ea"rth, ás-it-is' in heàven.—(0) Give-us this-day' our dáily brèad; and forgive-us our tréspasses, ás wè-forgive thém' that tréspass against ùs; and lèad-us-not' into tempta"tion,, bút' deliver-us from èvil.

THE COLLECT.

Ālmīghty Gód, únto-whom' áll héarts be ópen, áll desíres knówn, and fròm-whom' nō sécrets are híd—cléanse the thóughts-of-our-hearts by the inspirátion' of thy Hōly Spírit;—that we' may pérfectly lòve-thee, and worthily màgnify thy Hòly náme—through Christ our Lòrd.

The Collect] "In this collect the voice may rise into a higher key than that which was used in repeating the Lord's Prayer. The conclusion may be given with a full, round voice, very articulately, and with much deliberation."

THE COMMANDMENTS *.

[Then shall the Priest, turning to the People, rehearse distinctly all the TEN COMMANDMENTS.]

I. Gód' spake thése wòrds, and sáid—(ulow) I' am the Lòrd, thy' Gód;—thou shalt háve' none óther-Gods, but mè.

People. Lórd, have mércy-upon-us, and incline our héarts' to kèep-this-law.

II. Thou shalt not make-to-thyself' any

- * In the delivery of these Commandments, the manner should be firm, dignified, and authoritative; but without being pompous or boisterous.
- the Lo'rd, thy' Gód] The propriety of pausing after the word 'Lord' will be apparent, if we substitute for it its equivalent, and indeed more proper term: "I am Jеноvah, thy God."]

Thou shalt-not] The opinion of Dr. Johnson that 'not' in the negative Commandments should be pronounced with considerable stress, is opposed by modern writers on Elocution. They concur in thinking, that the adverb 'not,' when connected with auxiliary verbs, is unaccented; as cànnot, will-not, shall-not, dò-not, &c. The first alone is written as one word; but, by general custom, they are all pronounced so, except when opposed to some previous assertion. And as no such reference is implied in the Commandments, the negative,

wélfare' of our Sòvereign, and his domínions; that áll-things may be só órdered and séttled by théir endèavours, upon the bèst and sùrest foundations,, that peace and hàppiness, truth and jùstice,—religion and pie"ty—may be established-among-us' for A'll-generations.—Thése, and all óther-necessaries, for thèm, for ùs, and thy whòle Chu"rch, we hùmbly bég, in the name and mediation' of Jesùs Christ, our most blessed Lord and Sáviour.

— religion and piety] The special importance of these two particulars may be marked by a pause before and after them, and a more slow and solemn utterance.]

THE PRAYER FOR ALL CONDITIONS OF MEN.

O Gód,, the Creátor and Presérver of àll mankind—we húmbly besēech-thee for áll sòrts and condi["]tions-of-men, that thou wouldest be pléased' to make thy' ways knówn-unto-them, thy saving héalth unto A'LL-nations. More espécially-we-pray' for the good estate of the Catholic Chùrch; that it may be so-guided and governed' by thy' góod Spi"rit, that áll who proféss-and-càll-themselves' Chrístians, may be led into the way of trùth, and hold the fáith' in unity of spìrit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally—we commend to thy fatherly góodness, àll those' who are anyways afflicted or distréssed' in mind, bòdy, or estate; (espècially those' for whom our prayers are desired;) that it may pléase-thee' to comfort and relieve-them' according to their several necèssities; giving them patience under-their-sufferings, and a happy issue' out-of-all-their-afflictions. (alon) And this we bég' for Jèsus Christ his sàke.

A GENERAL THANKSGIVING.

Almighty Gód, Fáther of all mércies,—wé

Almighty God,] A change of manner is required here, to mark the warmth of a grateful heart. A louder voice, more cheerful and animated tones, and a somewhat quicker utterance, will not be unsuitable.

thine unworthy sérvants' do give-thee most humble and hearty thánks' for all thy goodness and loving-kindness' to ús, and to all-men: (particularly to those who desire' now to offer up their praises and thánksgivings' for thy láte-mercies' vouchsafed-unto-them.) We bless-thee—for our creation, préservation, and all-the-blessings of this-life; bút (1007) above all—for thine inestimable love' in the REDE'MPTION of the world' by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the mèans of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech-thee, give-us that du'e-sense'-of-

— loving-kindness] As the loving-kindness refers 'to all men' as well as 'to us,' the sense will be rendered most clear by inserting a pause after 'loving-kindness.'

To ús and to all men. These words are frequently read thus: 'To ús, and to all men.' This would imply, either that we who form the present congregation, are of some other race than that of men; or that we return thanks for God's kindness to all men, but not to all momen.

- préservation] The primary accent in this word may be placed on the first instead of the third syllable, to avoid the unpleasant rhyming between 'ation' and 'vation.' The accent on the word 'creation' is also sometimes transferred to the first syllable; but for this change there appears no sufficient reason.]
- but above all An accent should be given to both these words, and not merely to above.
 - du'e sense] After having expressed our thanks to God

áll-thy-mércies, that our héarts' may be unreignedly-thankful; and that we may showforth thy práise, not only with our lips,, bút' in
our lives; by gíving-up-ourselves to thy sèrvice; and by wálking-before-thee' in hôliness
and righteousness àll our dáys—through Jesus

Christ our Lord; to whom, with thèe and the
Holy Ghóst, bé' (*) āll honour and glóry, world
without ènd.

for all his mercies, and thereby shown that we have some sense of them, we proceed to be seech him to give us that due sense of them all, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful.]

THE COMMUNION *.

Our Fāther-which-art-in-héaven — hállowed'

*"The Lord's Prayer should be delivered here in a rather low tone, as what afterward follows, is thereby much better introduced. This advice does not however mean, that the prayer should be spoken so low as not to be heard by half the congregation: it ought to be distinctly pronounced, although not with that strong, full voice which will be so necessary in the subsequent parts."

served evermore from all périls, to glorify
THE'E' who art the only-giver of all victory—
through the mérits of thy only Són, Jésus
(O)
Christ our Lord.

In the Ember Weeks, to be said every day for those that are to be admitted into Holy Orders.

Almighty God, our hèavenly Fáther,, who hast purchased to thyself a universal Church' by the precious blood of thy dear Són—mercifully loók-upon-the-same, and at this time' so guide and govern' the minds of thy servants' the Bishops and Pastors of thy flóck,, that they may láy hánds súddenly' on nò-man, but faithfully and wisely-make-choice' of fit-persons to serve in the sacred ministry of thy Church. And to those which shall be orda"ined-to-any-holy-function, give thy grace and heavenly benediction,, that, both by their life and dóctrine, they may sèt forth thy' glòry, and sét fòrward the salvàtion of áll-men—through Jesùs Christ' our Lòrd.

A PRAYER THAT MAY BE SAID AFTER ANY OF THE FORMER.

O Gód, whose nature and property is, èver to have mércy and to forgi"ve—receive our humble petitions; and though we be tiéd and boùnd with the chàin of our sins, yet let the pitifulness of thy gréat mércy lóose us, for the honour of Jesus Christ' our Mediator and A'dvocate.

A PRAYER FOR THE PARLIAMENT.

Most grācious Gód—we húmbly besēēchthee—as for this kingdom in géneral—só espècially' for the High Court of Párliament,
under our most religious and gracious Kíng, at
this-time assèmbled: that thou wouldest be
pléased' to direct and prósper' all their consultátions,, to the advancement of thy' glòry, the
góod of thy Chùrch, the safety, hònour and

[—] assembled] For the pronunciation of this word, see Appendix, Section 14.

gràven image, nor the likeness of ány-thing' that is in héaven abòve, or in the earth benèath, or in the water under-the-earth—thou shalt-not bòw dówn-to-them, nor wòrship them—(a) for I' the Lord thy'-God' am a jèalous-God, and visit the sins of the fàthers' upon the children, unto the third and fourth-generation' of them that hàteme; and show mèrcy unto thoùsands' in thèm that lôve me' and kéep my commàndments.

People. Lord, have mércy-upon-us, and incline our hearts to keep this-law.

III. Thou shalt-not take' the NA'ME-of-the-

though distinctly uttered, should be without accent.—See Smart's Theory, p. 57.

Thou shalt-not make-to-thy-self In this sentence, as well as in the instances of similar construction at the beginning of the third and ninth Commandments, some readers pause after the negative, and connect the verb with its object. This appears contrary to the common practice in conversation.

—and show mercy] In delivering the remainder of this Commandment, it will be proper to abate a little of the authoritative manner.

—the na'me-of-the-Lord-thy-God] The words 'Lord thy God' having been used in the preceding Commandments, may here be included under the inflection commencing on the word 'name.' When the Commandment is pronounced by itself, detached from the other Commandments, the word 'name' would not require this exclusive emphasis. A similar remark is applicable in many cases where the mode of

Lord-thy-God' in vàin; for the Lord will-not hold' him guiltless'-that-taketh-his-name-in vàin.

People. Lord, have' mércy-upon-us, &c.

IV. (*) Remémber—that thou kèep hōly' the Sa'bbath-day. Sìx-days shalt thou lábour, and dó àll that thou hást-to-do; bút' the séventh-day— (alon) is the Sábbath of the Lórd thy Gòd. In it—thou shalt dó' nó mànner-of-work; thóu, and thy són, and thy daùghter; thy màn-servant, and thy máid-servant; thy cáttle—and the

reading is influenced by the context. Separate the sentence from its connexion with what precedes in the original, and a different arrangement of the inflections becomes proper.]

—that taketh his name in vain] This phrase having been previously employed in the Commandment, ought, when repeated, to pass under the inflection given to the word 'guiltless;' or, which is the same thing, the accented words will receive inflections similar to that on 'guiltless,' but in a lower and feebler tone.]

—Sabbath-day] The words 'Sabbath-day,' or resting-day, are placed in contradistinction to morking-day; the word 'day' therefore does not require a separate accent. Some readers however give one, saying 'Sabbath-day;' this mode of delivery is apt to excite the idea that some contrast is implied between Sabbath day and Sabbath night.]

—thy cattle] By giving emphasis to the word 'cattle,' a duty which is sometimes overlooked even by conscientious

stránger that is within thy gàtes.—For in síx days—the Lórd' made héaven and èarth, the sèa,, and àll that in-them-is,, and résted the sèventh-day; whérefore, the Lòrd' bléssed-the-seventh-day, and hàllow'd-it.

People. Lord, have mercy, &c.

V. Honour thy fáther and thy mother; that thy days may be lóng' in the lánd which the Lòrd thy Gód giveth-thee.

People. Lord, have mercy, &c.

VI. Thou shalt dó nó mùrder. People. Lord, have mercy, &c.

VII. Thou shált-not commít adùltery.

People. Lord, have mercy, &c.

Christians may perhaps be brought to more effectual remembrance.]

—the sea More pause than is usually made, should be introduced after the word 'sea,' to show clearly that the subsequent expression, 'all that in them is,' refers to 'heaven and earth,' as well as to the sea.'

—wherefore, the Lord.] "From the word 'wherefore' if the rest of the sentence be spoken in a low, solemn, energetic tone, the full weight and force of it will be better conveyed." Thou shalt do The short Commandments require an addiVIII. Thou shalt-not steàl. **People**. Lord, have mercy, &c.

IX. Thou shalt-not bear false witness-againstthy-neighbour.

People. Lord, have mercy, &c.

tional slowness and force in the delivery, in order that they may possess their due weight and dignity.

Thou shalt-not bear.] According to Boswell, Dr. Johnson corrected Garrick in his manner of pronouncing the Ninth Commandment, "in which (said Dr. Taylor, the relator of the anecdote) the emphasis should be upon 'not' and 'false witness.' —If this representation be correct, how extraordinary must have been Garrick's manner, if he avoided giving emphasis to 'false witness.' According to Sir John Hawkins's account of the story, the difference between Garrick and Johnson was this: the former laid stress upon 'shalt,' and the latter upon 'not;' but neither of them could have intended (as the late Dr. Gregory supposed, p. lxxvi. of his 'Essay on the Composition and Delivery of a Sermon') that 'false witness,' the crime to be forbidden, should be excluded from its due share of emphasis. Probably, the only difference between the two methods was the following:—

Garrick's, 'Thou shalt not bear' false witness,' &c. The latter mode is that which is generally used; but in the present work, the preference is given to the former, as being most agreeable to the custom which prevails in conversation, in pronouncing an auxiliary verb coupled with the negative. See the first note on the Second commandment.]

-false witness] Some readers, excluding the word 'witness' from any separate inflection, make it partake of that

X. Thou shalt-not covet thy neighbour's hoùse; thou shalt-not covet thy neighbour's wife; nor his sérvant nor his màid, nor his àx nor his áss—nor A'ny-thing-that-is-hìs.

which is given to the word 'false;' saying either 'fálse witness,' or false-witness.' Both these modes would imply, that, although we must not bear false-witness against our neighbour, we are allowed to bear true witness against him. Such an inference would convey very unnecessary information.]

—against thy neighbour] In the account respecting the difference between Garrick's and Johnson's manner of pronouncing this Commandment, it is observable that nothing is said relative to the mode of delivering the concluding words—'against thy neighbour.' It may therefore be inferred, that they were included under the inflection given to the word 'witness.' This is, perhaps, the best way, because the words have been previously implied, though not expressed, in the three preceding Commandments: 'Thou shalt do no murder,' i. e. against thy neighbour; 'Thou shalt not commit adultery' against thy neighbour; 'Thou shalt not steal' from thy neighbour. It is further observable, that our Lord quotes the ninth Commandment without the words 'against thy neighbour;' the meaning of it being complete, independently of that addition. St. Mark x. 19.]

ANY-thing-that-is-his] In the preceding part of this Commandment, the coveting of various particulars belonging to our neighbour is forbidden: the concluding clause extends still further, and forbids us to covet any thing that is his. To convey this meaning, the word 'any' must be emphatic. The usual mode of delivering the words is this:—'any thing that is his.' The meaning of which, expressed at length, would be

People. Lord, have mércy-upon-us, and write all these thy laws' in our héarts—we besèch thee.

'Thou shalt not covet any thing that is (not thine own, but) his.' One inference from which would be, that we may lamfully covet what is our own. But so feeble and superfluous an inference can never be intended.]

COLLECTS FOR THE KING.

Let us prày.

Almighty Gód, whose kingdom is everlasting and power infinite—have mercy upon the whole Church; and só-rule the heart of thy chosenservant Ge'orge, our king and governor, that he—(knowing whose-minister-he-is—) may,

Let us pray] "When the Commandments are finished, the devoutness and fervency of manner, required in the subsequent prayer, constitute that change and variety which cannot fail of assisting to increase the ardency of devotion."

—knowing whose minister] Here the emphasis is frequently laid on the word 'minister'—" that he, knowing whose minister-he-is;" whereas it should be, "that he, knowing whose-minister-he-is," i. e. knowing that he is the minister of Almighty God. And the same emphasis should, for the same

above all-things, seek thy honour and glory; and that we, and all-his-subjects—(duly considering whose-authority-he-hath—) may faithfully serve, honour, and humbly obey-him, inthee' and for-thee, according to thy blessed word and ordinance, through Jesus Christ our Lord; who, with thee and the Holy Ghost, liveth and reigneth ever one God, world without end.

OR,

Almighty and everlasting Gód—we are taught by thy holy Word, that the hearts of kings' are in THY'-rule-and-governance,, and that thou dóstdispose-and-govern-them, as it seemeth best to

reason, be preserved in the following part—"and that we, and all his subjects, duly considering whose authority he hath," &c. Sheridan.

The propriety of inserting the parenthetic marks in this Collect appears doubtful. The words included within them, so materially affect the meaning of the context, that they will be best read without regard to the general rule for reading a parenthesis faster.]

—all-his-subjects] The emphasis is frequently placed on 'subjects,' instead of 'all;' which mode of reading would imply that we, the present petitioners, are not included amongst subjects.]

thy gòdly wisdom—we húmbly besēech-thee, só-to-dispose-and-govern' the heart of George thy sèrvant, o''ur-king-and-governor—that' in áll his thòughts, wòrds, and wórks, he may éver séek' THY'-honour-and-glóry; and stúdy to presérve thy peòple' committed to his chárge' in wéalth, peáce, and gòdliness.—Grant thìs, O mērciful Fāther,, for thy dèar Són's-sake, Jesús Christ our Lòrd.

THE NICENE CREED *.

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and earth, and of all-things' visible and invisible;

- * In repeating the Creed, the directions given, p. 94, require to be observed.
- —Heaven and earth] The connexion between this and the following clause, is frequently destroyed, by inserting too much pause after the word 'earth,' and adopting the falling instead of the rising inflection.]
- —invisible] The accent must be laid on the first syllable to mark the contradistinction. The erroneous pronunciation of visubble and invisubble must be carefully avoided.

And in *one* Lórd' Jesús Christ; the only-begotten Son-of-God; begotten-of-his-Father' before all worlds; Gód of-God, Lìght of-Light, véry-God of-very-God; begotten, not made; being of one substance with the Father; (*) by' whóm, all-things were made; who, for us men' and for our salvation, came dówn from heaven, and was incarnate' by' the Hóly Ghost' of the Virgin Mary, and was made man; and was crucified-also-for-us' under Pontius Pilate; He suffered, and was bùried; and the thírd-

—God of God] Sheridan justly observes, that this passage is often delivered improperly, in the following manner: 'God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God.' In which mode of expression, God of God, would, according to the common acceptation, imply a superiority in Christ over God; as when we say that God is 'King of kings.' But by laying the stress on 'of,' as 'God of God, the true meaning is pointed out; which is, God proceeding from God, light from light, very God from very God. [If the five clauses which describe the mysterious nature of Christ, are repeated in a low and solemn tone, the effect becomes very impressive.]

—one Substance with the Father] The reader must take care to adopt the falling inflection on the word 'Father,' and to introduce a pause after it, to show distinctly that the following clause 'By whom all things were made,' belongs to the Son.]

day' he róse-again, according to the Scriptures; and ascended into héaven, and sitteth on the right-hand of the Fàther. And he shall come agàin, with glōry,, to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom' shall have nó ènd.

And I believe in the Hóly Ghòst; the Lórd and giver of life; who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; who, with-the-Father-andthe-Son-together, is worshipped and glorified; who spake by the prophets.

And I believe one Cátholic and Apostólic Church;—I acknowledge one Bàptism for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the déad, and the life of the world to come.

(Then shall follow the Sermon.)

In referring to the Prayer, used before and after the Sermon, the author ventures to offer a few remarks, extending beyond the mere manner of delivery. The desire of being useful to the Student will, he hopes, prove a sufficient excuse. The 55th Canon prescribes 'The Form of a Prayer to be used by all Preachers before their Sermons.' It is observable, that most of the persons and things that it suggests as subjects for prayer, have already been prayed for. This consideration, and the expediency of avoiding every thing that tends unnecessarily to lengthen a service which, in fact,

is compounded of three distinct services, have induced the Clergy in modern times to deviate from the literal direction of the Canon; availing themselves of the licence implied in the indefinite words—that they are to pray "after this sort, as briefly as conveniently they may," they commonly substitute one of those short but suitable collects, with which our admirable Liturgy abounds. But to introduce something of original composition, as is occasionally heard, must be considered to be a wide departure from the intention of the Canon, namely, the promotion of "Uniformity." To substitute a collect in place of the form prescribed, is indeed a deviation from the letter, though not from the spirit of the law; but to introduce something of one's own, is a violation both of the letter and of the spirit. Besides, it will naturally incur the imputation of vanity and want of taste; and generally affords a convincing proof of the inferiority of moderns in composing forms of prayer.

The manner in which the Prayer before the Sermon is sometimes connected with the Lord's Prayer, likewise calls for remark. Some preachers, aiming at a little deviation from the usual words, are heard to make the transition somewhat in the following way:--" in whose blessed name, and perfect form of prayer, we further call upon thee, as, 'Our Father which art in heaven, &c.' 'The word 'Father' is thus used in the objective, instead of the vocative case; and the right construction and meaning of the sentence are entirely destroyed. Indeed, a doubt may be justly raised respecting the propriety of the more usual connecting phrases:—such as—' who hath taught and commanded us, when we pray, to say,' or, 'saying,' "Our Father, &c." In such construction, the whole prayer appears, according to the strict rules of grammar, to constitute the object of the verb: 'to say,' or 'saying'-what? "Our Father which art in heaven, &c." Such indeed is the connecting expression adopted in St. Luke's Gospel: "When ye pray, say, 'Our Father, &c.'"
Here such a phrase is perfectly proper, because the prayer is not used as a prayer at the time of our reciting it in the Gospel: it is read merely as part of St. Luke's narrative. But when we actually pray the prayer, the introductory words 'to say,' or 'saying,' seem to be improperly retained.

"Thus to say' (founded on the words in St. Matthew, "After this manner therefore pray ye,") is the other most common connecting form, and is perhaps less objectionable than 'to say,' or 'saying.' All difficulty however is avoided by introducing expressions like the following:—'in whose blessed name and comprehensive form of prayer, we conclude our imperfect petitions:—'Our Father, &c.' Many Clergymen altogether omit the use of any connecting words.

In saying the prayer which follows the Sermon, as well as in pronouncing the Blessing, the young Divine is to be cautioned against the very common practice of speaking with so feeble a voice as not to be heard by a considerable part of the congregation. To adopt a marked difference of manner between preaching and praying, is highly proper; but it is also proper, that all parts of the service should be audible. A word of admonition may be likewise given against introducing changes in established formulas. Maturer judgment will condemn such alterations or additions as the following: 'Our Father who art in heaven;'—'May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, &c.'—'May the peace of God, which passeth all human understanding, &c.' These trivial deviations from the usual forms, show desire of novelty, rather than soundness of judgment.]

THE OFFERTORY.

Let your *light*' số-shine before mén,, that they may sée your *gòod wórks*, and *glòrify* your Fa'ther which is in heàven.

Láy-not-up for yoursélves' treasures upon eárth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves' break through and stéal; but láy-up for yourselves' treasures in HEA'VEN; where néither-moth' nór-rust-doth-corrupt, and where thieves' do nòt-break-through, nór steàl.

Whatsoever ye would' that men should do unto yo"u, even so' do unto them; for this—is the law' and the prophets.

Not évery-one that saith-unto-me, Lôrd, Lôrd, shall énter into the kingdom of héaven; but hé, that doeth the will of my Fáther which is in heaven.

Zaccheus stood forth, and said unto the Lórd, Behóld-Lord, the hálf-of-my-goods' I gíve to the pòor; and if I have dóne' any wróng-to-any-man, I restore-him foùr-fold.

Who goeth a warfare-at-any-time, of his ow^{2} n-cost? Who planteth a vineyard,, and éateth-not of the *frùit*-thereof? Or who feed-

eth a flock, and eateth not of the milk-of-theflock?

If we have sown-unto-you' spi"ritual-things,, is it a gréat-matter, if we shall réap' your worldby-things?

Do ye not knów, that they who minister about hóly-things,, live of the sacrifice? and they who wait át-the-altar, are partakers with-the-altar? Evén sò hath the Lòrd also ordáined,, that they who préack-the-Gospel, should live-of-the-Gospel.

He that soweth little, shall rèap-little; and he that soweth plénteously, shall rèap-plenteously. Let évery man dó, according as he is disposed in his hèart; not grùdgingly, or of nece"ssity; for Góp' lóveth a chèerful-giver.

Let him that is taùght-in-the-word minister unto him that téacheth, in all good things. Be not decèived: Gód is-not mo"cked; for what-soèver a man sóweth, thát shall he rèap.

While we have time, let us do good unto all-

Do ye not knów] This interrogation is equivalent to a strong affirmative, and therefore terminates with the conclusive inflection; according to Exception to Rule v.]

men; and spècially unto thém' that are of the household of fàith.

Godliness' is great riches, if a man be content with that which he hath: for we broughtnothing into-the-world, neither may we carryany-thing' oùt.

Charge thém who are rich-in-this-world, that they be rèady to give, and glád to distribute; laying-up in store-for-themselves' a góod foundàtion against the time to come, that they may attain' ete'rnal-life.

Gód' is not unrighteous, that he will forge"tyour-wórks, and lábour that proceedeth of lóve;
which-love' ye have shówed for his náme's-sake,
who háve-ministered-unto-the-saints, and yét
dò-minister.

To do good and to distribute, forget-not; for with su"ch sacrifices—God' is well-pleased.

Whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his compassion-from-him—how dwelleth the love of Goo' in him?

Give alms of thy goods, and never turn thy

fáce' from any po"or-man; and thén' the face of the Lónd' sháll-not be túrned from thèe.

Be mérciful' after thy power: if thou hast mu"ch, give plènteously; if thou hast little, do thy diligence' gládly-to-give òf-that-little: for só, gátherest-thou-thyself a good reward' in the dáy of necèssity.

Hé-that-hath pity upon the poor, lendeth unto the Lòrd; and loòk—what he làyeth oút, it shall be páid him agàin.

Bléssed be the mán, that provídeth for the síck and neèdy: the Lórd' shall deliver hím' in the time of troùble.

PRAYER FOR THE CHURCH MILITANT.

Let us práy' for the whóle stàte of Christ's Chúrch, mílitant' here in earth.

Almighty and everliving God, who' by thy Holy Apostle, hast taught us' to make prayers and supplications and to give thanks, for allmen—we humbly beseech thee, most merci-

.— thanks, for all-men] By the usual mode of reading this sentence, it does not appear that we are taught "to make

fully [to accept our alms and oblations, and] to receive thèse our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching-thee to inspire continually the Universal Church' with the spirit of trúth, únity, and concord: and grant, that all they that do confess thy holy nàme' may agrée in the trùth of thy hòly word, and live in unity and godly love. We beséechthee-also' to save and defend' all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and especially thy servant Geórge' our-king; that under him, we may be godly and quietly-governed:—and grant unto his whole Council' and to all-thatare-put in authority-under-him, that they may trúly and indifferently' minister jústice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true-Religion and virtue. Give gráce'-Q-héavenly-Fáther, to all Bishops and Cùrates: that they máy, both by their life and dóctrine, sét forth thy trùe and lively word, and rightly and duly administer' thy holy

prayers and supplications for all men," as well as 'to give thanks for all men.' To render the true meaning clear, the pause must be inserted after the word 'thanks,' and not in the usual place, after the word 'supplications.']

- and grant] i. e. to grant, &c.

Thy true-Religion] i. e. The Protestant Religion.

Sàcraments.—And to all thy péople, give thy héavenly grace; and especially to this congregàtion' hère présent; that, with méek heart and duè réverence, they may hear and receive thy hòly word, trúly-serving-thée' in holiness and righteousness' all the days of their life.—And we most humbly beséech-thee, of thy goodness'-O-Lord—(alow) to comfort and succour all them. w'ho' in this tránsitory-life' are in tróuble' sòrrow, nèed', sickness, or any other-adversity. And we also bless thy holy name, for all thy sérvants' depárted-this-life' in thy faith and fèar; beséeching-thee to give us grace, só to follow' their good examples,, that with them. we may be partakers' of thy heavenly kingdom. -Grant this, O Father,, for Jesus Christssake. our only Mediator and A'dvocate.

And we also bless] The change from supplication to thanksgiving, requires a suitable change in the manner of reading.]

THE EXHORTATION.

Déarly-beloved in the Lord—Ye that mind to come to the Holy Communion of the body

Déarly beloved in the Lord See the remarks at the be-

and blood of our Saviour Christ, must consider' how St. Paul exhorteth àll-persons' diligently to try and examine-themselves' before they presume' to eat of that Bréad and drink of that Cùp. For as the bénefit-is-great, if with a true penitent heart and lively faith'-we-receive-that Holy-Sacrament; (for thén, we spiritually eat the flésh-of-Christ and drink his blood; then we dwell-in-Christ, and Christ in us; we are one-with-Christ, and Christ with ús;) số is the dànger-great, if we receive-thesame unworthily. For then—we are guilty of the body and blood of Christ our Saviour; we eat and drink our own damnation, not considering the Lord's body; we kindle Gód's wràth-against-us: we provoke him to plague us' with divers diséases, and súndry-kinds of dèath.

Júdge therefore yoursélves,-Brethren, that ye bé-not-judged of the Lòrd: repènt ye trúly for your síns pàst; have a lívely and stéadfast

ginning of the Exhortation, p. 63. The transition from Prayer to Exhortation must be clearly marked by a change in the manner of delivery, as well as in the direction of the looks.]

faith' in Christ our Sàviour; amènd your lives, and be in perfect charity will all-men: so shall ye be' meet-partakers of those Holy My'steries. -And above all-things, ye must give most hùmble and heàrty thánks' to God the Fàther, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, for the redemption-of-the-world, by the death and passion of our Sàviour Christ, both Gód and Màn; who did húmble-himself, even to the death upon the cróss, for ús' mīserable sínners, who lay in darkness and the shadow of death,, that he might make us the children of God, and exaltus to everlásting life.—And to the énd' that we should always-remember the exceeding great lóve of our Máster and ónly Sáviour' Jesus Christ' thus dying-for-us, and the innumerable bénefits, which' by his précious blòodshedding' he hath obtained to us'-HE" hath instituted and ordained' holy my'steries, as pledges of his lòve, and for a continual remembrance of his déath, to our gréat and éndless còmfort.

To Him therefore, with the Fàther and the Holy Ghóst, let us give (as we are most bounden) continual thanks; submitting-ourselves wholly to his holy will and pleasure, and

stúdying to sèrve him' in true holiness and righteousness' all the days of our life.

THE INVITATION.

Yé' that do trúly and eárnestly repént-you of your sìns, and are in lóve and chárity with your neìghbours, and inténd to léad a néw-life, following the commandments of Gòd, and walking from hénceforth' in his hòly wấys;—draw near with faith, and take this Holy Sacrament to your còmfort; and màke' your humble conféssion-to-Almighty-God, meekly knéeling upon your knèes.

A GENERAL CONFESSION.

Almighty God, Fáther of our Lord Jésus

CONFESSION] In the delivery of many parts of the General Confession, the voice may, with great propriety, adopt somewhat of a monotone, according to Rule 20.

Christ, Maker of all-things, Judge of all-men -we acknowledge and bewail' our manifold sins and wickedness, which we' from time to tíme' most griévously have committed, by thought' word' and deed, against thy Divine Májesty; provóking móst jústly thy wráth and indignation-against-us. We do earnestly repént, and are heàrtily sórry' for thése our misdoings; the remembrance-of-them is grievousunto-us; the burden of them' is intòlerable.— Have mércy-upon-us; have mércy-upon-us, most mērciful Fáther; for thy Són, our Lord Jesus Christ's-sake, forgive-us all that is past; and grant' that we may ever hereafter, serve and pléase-thee, in néwness-of-life, to the honour and glòry of thy name—through Jesus Christ our Lòrd.

Judge of all men] 'Men' are included under the term 'things,' in the expression 'Maker of all things;' therefore no contradistinction between 'men' and 'things' can be intended; consequently there appears no sufficient reason for adopting the following mode of reading, which is sometimes heard: 'Maker of all things, Judge of all mén.']

THE ABSOLUTION.

Almighty God, our heavenly Fáther, who of his great mércy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn-unto-him—have me'rcy-upon-you: pardon and déliver-you from all your sins; confirm and strèngthen-you in all goodness; and bring-you to everlasting life—through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE ABSOLUTION] Dignity, solemnity, and an affectionate earnestness of manner, should characterise the delivery of the Absolution. A suitable change is required in pronouncing the subsequent 'comfortable words.'

THE CONSOLATORY SENTENCES.

Hear what comfortable-words' our Saviour Christ saith' unto all that truly turn-to-him.

Come unto mé, àll yé that tràvail' and are hèavy láden,, and I' will refrèsh-you.

Sō Gód *lóved*-the-world, that he gave his *ônly-begotten Sòn*, to the énd' that all that believe in *Him*' should-not p'erish, but have ever-lásting life.

Héar-also' what St. Paùl-saith:

This is a true-saying' and worthy of all-men to be received, That *Christ Jésus*' came into the world' to save sinners.

Hear-also what Saint John-saith:

If any-man sin, we have an advocate with the Fáther, Jesus Christ the righteous: and héris the propitiation-for-our-sins.

Priest. Lift-up your hearts.

Answer. We lift them up' unto the Lord.

Priest. Let us give thànks-unto-our-LordGod.

Answer. It is méet and rìght-so-to-do.

It is very mèet' right' and our boùnden dúty, that we should at all times and in all places, give thanks unto thée, \bar{O} Lórd, Holy Fáther, Almighty, everlásting Gòd.

THE TRISAGIUM.

Therefore, with A'ngels and A'rch-angels, and

Therefore, with angels] Praise and thanksgiving ought to be expressed with that warmth of manner which naturally arises from a heart filled with admiration, love, and gratitude towards our Creator, Redeemer, and Sanctifier. The voice of rapture and adoration will abound in the rising inflection.]

with all the company of héaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious name, evermore praising-thee, and saying, Holy, holy, holy, holy-Lord God of hosts—heaven and earth are full of thy glory. Glory be to thee, O Lord most high.

PROPER PREFACES.

Upon Christmas-Day, and seven Days after.

Because thou didst give Jesus Christ' thine only Són, to be born' as at this-time' for us; who' by the operation of the Holy Ghóst' was made véry màn, of the substance of the Virgin Mary his mother, and thát without spot of sín, to make us' cléan from all-sin. Therefore, with angels, &c.

Upon Easter Day, and seven Days after.

But chiefly are-we-bound-to-praise-thee' for the glorious resurrection of thy Són, Jesus Christ our Lord; for He' is the very Páschal Làmb which was offered-for-us, and hath taken away the sin of the world; who' by his de'ath, hath destroyed-death; and by his rising to life-again, hath restored to us' everlasting-life. Therefore, with angels, &c.

Upon Ascension Day, and seven Days after.

Through thy most déarly-beloved Són, Jesus Christ our Lòrd; who, after his most glòrious resurréction, manifestly appeared to all his Apóstles, and in their sight ascended-up into héaven, to prepare a place for us; that where He"-is, thither we might also-ascend,, and réign-with-Him in glòry. Therefore, with angels, &c.

Upon Whitsunday, and six Days after.

Through Jesus Christ our Lòrd; according to whose most true prómise, the Holy Ghost came dówn, as at thís-time, from héaven' with a súdden grèat sound, ás-it-had-been a míghty wind, in the likeness of fiery tongues lighting

upon the Apóstles, to téach-them, and to léad them to all trùth; giving them' both the gift of divers languages, and also boldness' with fèrvent zéal' constantly to preach the Gospel unto all-nations; whereby we' have been brought out of dàrkness and érror' into the cleàr light, and trúe knòwledge of thée' and of thy Són' Jesus Christ. Therefore, with angels, &c.

Upon the Feast of Trinity only.

Who art one Gód, one Lord; not one only person, but three persons in one substance. For that which we believe of the glory of the Fa'-ther, the same-we-believe of the Son' and of the Holy Ghóst, without any difference or inequality. Therefore, with angels, &c.

THE PRAYER IN THE NAME OF THE COMMUNI-CANTS.

We do-not presume' to come to this thy table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own rilght-

eousness,, but in thy' mánifold and gréat mèrcies. We àre-not worthy' so much as to gather-up the crúmbs under thy tàble. But Thóu art the sáme-Lord, whose próperty-is' ālways to have mèrcy. Gránt-us-therefore'-grácious-Lórd, só to éat the flèsh' of thy dèar Són Jésus Chrìst, and to drìnk his blo"od,, that oùr sínful bòdies' may be made cléan by hìs-body, and our sóuls' wáshed through hís most prècious blóod; and that we may ever-móre' dwèll in hím, and hé in ùs.

THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION.

Almighty Gód, our heavenly Fáther,, whó' of thy tender mércy' didst give thine only Són' Jesus Christ' to suffer déath upon the cross, for our redémption; who made there, by his one-oblation-of-himself, once-offered, a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and, in his Holy Góspel, command-us to continue, a perpétual-memory of that his precious déath' until his còming aga" in—hear-us'-O-merciful-Father, we most humbly beseech-

[—]in remembrance of me] By accenting the word me, (the mode which is usually adopted,) the sentence seems to imply "Do this in remembrance of me, your best benefactor."—The other mode however (Do this in remembrance-of-me) has its advocates; and it may be properly introduced, according to Rule xxv., on repeating the words at the conclusion of the prayer.]

Drink-ye all] The sense renders it absolutely necessary to pause after the word 'all.' By pausing before it, the sentence might be understood to mean, 'Drink ye the whole of this.']

as oft as ye shall drink-it—in remembrance-ofme.

Do this as oft] The word this is strongly emphatic. The implied meaning is, 'Not only eat the bread, but also do this (i. e. drink the wine) in remembrance of me.'

THE FORM OF ADMINISTRATION.

was given for the e, preserve thy body and soul unto everlásting life. Take and eat this, in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed-on-him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.

which was shed for the"e, preserve thy body and soul' unto everlasting life. Drink this in reme"mbrance-that-Christ's-blood-was-shed-for-thee, and be thankful.

Or thus:

(c) The Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which

— life This word, in the Liturgy, generally means happiness, and therefore is emphatic.] was shèd for the 'e, presérve thy bòdy and sóul' unto everlásting life. Drink this, in remémbrance that Christ's Blood' was shéd-for-thee,, and be thànkful.

THE POST-COMMUNION.

Our Father-which-art-in-héaven, &c. See p. 73.

O Lòrd and heàvenly Fáther,—we' thy humble servants, entírely desire thy fàtherly góodness' mercifully to accépt' this our sácrifice of práise and thànksgiving; most húmbly beséeching thee to gránt, that' by the mérits and deáth of thy Són Jésus Christ, and through faith in his blóod, wé and áll thy whòle Chúrch, may obtain remission of our síns, and all òtherbenefits-of-his-passion. And hére' we offer and presént-unto-thee'-O-Lord—oursèlves, our soùls and bódies, to be a réasonable, hóly, and lively-sacrifice-unto-thee; humbly beséeching-thee,

that áll wé who are partakers of this holy Communion' may be fulfilled with thy grace' and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy, through our mánifold sins, to offer unto thee' a''ny-sacrifice,, yet we besēech-thee to accépt' this our bounden dúty and sèrvice; not weighing our me''rits,, but pardoning our offénces, through Jésus Christ our Lord—by'-whom and with-whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghóst,, āll hónour and glōry' be unto thée, Ō Father Almighty—world without ènd.

—all honour] This concluding passage requires those tones which are most expressive of fervent adoration.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS.

(*) Glōry' be to Gòd on high, and in earth'
PEA'CE: Gòod-will towards mèn.—We praise-

We praise, &c.] The rising inflection upon these successive verbs, accompanied with a gradual swell of the voice as the series advances, will perhaps be most expressive of rapturous adoration.] thee, we bless-thee, we worship-thee, we glorify-thee, we give thanks-to-thee' for thy great glo"ry—Ō Lord Gód, heavenly King, Gód' the Father Almighty.

- Christ,, O Lord God, Lámb-of-God, Son of the Fáther,, that takest away the sins of the world—have Mercy-upon-us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world—have mercy-upon-us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world—have mercy-upon-us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world—receive our prayer. Thou that sittest' at the right-hand of God the Father—have mercy-upon-us;
- (*) For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only O-Christ, with the Holy Ghost,, art most high in the glory of God the Father.

For thou ONLY] The tones of supplication suited to the preceding paragraph, should here be exchanged for that fuller and louder voice with which this noble Hymn was introduced.—To mark clearly that we exclude the mediation of saints and angels, a strong emphasis may be admitted on the word 'only' every time it occurs in the paragraph.]

THE FINAL BLESSING.

The peace of Gód, which passeth all understanding, kéep your héarts and mínds' in the

The peace? The concluding Blessing presents the reader with one of the most difficult passages in the whole service. Its meaning will perhaps become more obvious by being expressed in a shorter, but equivalent form: "May the peace given by God the Father, keep you in the knowledge and love of the Father and his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord; and may the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you now, and remain with you always." If this be the true meaning, does the usual mode of delivery convey this meaning distinctly? The climax in the original will be more marked, and the meaning of the whole rendered more clear, if a slight pause be made after 'love,' and the words 'of God and of his Son' be kept together, without admitting the usual pause after the word 'God.'

Some deliver the first part thus: 'The peace-of-God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and lôve-of-God, &c.' This mode would be good, if the sentence ended here; but our hearts are to be kept in the knowledge and love not only of God, but also of his Son, 'Jesus Christ our Lord.' The introduction of another person into the sentence, requires that a contradistinction between the two persons should be made by giving to each a separate and opposite inflection.]

—keep your hearts] i. e. keep your hearts in the love, and your minds in the knowledge, &c. The inverted parallelism is observable.]

knówledge and lòve' of Gòd and of his Són, Jésus Christ our Lòrd; and the Ble'ssing of God Almighty,, the Fàther, the Sòn, and the Hòly Gho"st—bè amóngst-you, and remáin-with-you' A'lways.

—all understanding] Some give a strong emphasis to the word 'all.' This excites the idea of a contradistinction which does not seem to be intended.]

Holy Ghost, be amongst-you] These words are sometimes delivered thus: 'Holy Ghost-be-amongst-you.' This mode is contrary to the general rule, that when a nominative (Blessing) is accompanied with inseparable adjuncts, a pause should be introduced before the verb. (See Rule II. p. 16.) In the present instance, by connecting the words 'Holy Ghost' so closely with 'be amongst you,' the hearers might be led to suppose, that the Blessing of the Third Person in the Holy Trinity was alone intended.]

—bè amongst-you] The conclusion of the Blessing is frequently repeated thus: "Be amongst-you and remain-with-you, always." This mode connects the word 'always' with 'be amongst you;' but this would be tautology; for 'be amongst you always' must be equivalent to 'remain with you always.' The true meaning is 'Be amongst you now, and remain with you always.]

—ALWAYS] Though this word should be pronounced distinctly and forcibly, yet it raust not be converted into 'all ways.']

In pronouncing this Blessing, affectionate earnestness may be superadded to the solemn and impressive manner which is required in the preceding parts of the Service. It is likewise highly proper, that the words, instead of being delivered in an under tone, should be rendered audible to all. The practice of the Wise King deserves our notice: "And it was so that when Solomon had made an end of praying all this prayer and supplication unto the Lord, he arose from before the altar of the Lord, from kneeling on his knees, with hands spread up to heaven. And he stood, and blessed all the congregation of Israel with a loud voice." 1 Kings viii. 55.

THE ADDITIONAL COLLECTS.

Assist-us mércifully'-O-Lord, in these our supplications and prayers; and dispose the way-of-thy-servants' towards the attainment' of EVERLA'STING SALVA'TION; that, among all the changes and chances of this mórtal-life, they may éver be defènded by thy most gracious and rèady hélp, through Jesus Christ our Lòrd.

O Almighty Lord, and everlasting Gód—vouchsáfe' we beseéch-thee' to direct, sanctify, and govern' both our heàrts and bódies' in the ways of thy laws and the works of thy commandments; that' through thy most mighty protection' both here and ever,, we may be preserved in bòdy and sóul—through our Lord and Sáviour' Jesus Christ.

Gránt, we beseéch-thee'-Almighty-Gód, that the words which we have héard' this-day' with our oútward eàrs, máy' through thy gráce' be só gràfted inwardly in our hea"rts,, that they may bring fórth-in-us' the fruit of gòod living, to the hónour and pràise of thy' náme, through Jésus Christ' our Lòrd.

Prevent-us'-O-Lord, in all'our doings' with thy' most grácious fàvour, and fúrther-us with thy continual hélp; that in áll-our-works, begún, continued, and ènded in the'e,, we may glorify' thy holy name; and finally, by thy mèrcy, obtain everlàsting life—through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Almighty Gód, the fountain of all wisdom,, who knowest our necessities before-we-ask, and our ignorance i"n-asking—we beseech-thee' to have compassion upon our infrmities; and those-things which' for our unworthiness' we dare-not, and for our blindness' we cannot-ask,, vouchsafe to give-us, for the worthiness of thy Són' Jesus Christ our Lòrd.

Almighty Gód, who hast prómised to héar the petítions' of thém that ask in thy Són's-name—we besēēch-thee' mércifully to incline thine éars to ús' that have made nów' our prayers and supplications-unto-thee; and grant' that those things which we have faithfully asked' according to thy' will, may effèctually be obtained to the relief of our necèssity, and to the setting forth of thy' glóry—through Jesus Christ' our Lòrd.

THE MINISTRATION OF PUBLIC BAPTISM OF IN-FANTS, TO BE USED IN THE CHURCH.

Hath this Child' been alréady-baptized, or nò?

If they answer NO; then shall the Priest proceed as followeth.

- * Déarly Belòved:—forasmuch as àll-men' are concéived and born' in sin; and that our Saviour Christ saith—(1604) None can enter into
- * This address should be delivered in an easy, natural manner, and with as little reference to the Book as possible.]

Let us prày.

Almighty and everlasting Gód—whó' of thy great mercy' didst save Nóah and his family' in the A'rk' from perishing by water; and also didst safely lead' the children of Israel thy people' through the Red Séa, figuring-thereby' thy Hôly Ba''ptism; and by the Baptism' of thy well-beloved Son Jesus Christ' in the river Jórdan, didst sanctify water to the my'stical washing-away of sin;—we beseech-thee' for thine infinite mercies, that thou wilt me'rcifully

[—]regenerate] This word being equivalent to 'born anew,' no pause should be introduced between them.]

[—]this child Here look towards the child.

look upon this child; wash-him and sanctify-him' with the Holy Ghost; that he, being delivered from thy' wrath, may be received into the ark of Christ's Chùrch; and being stedfast through faith, joyful through hòpe, and rooted in cha''rity,, may so pass the waves of this troublesome-world, that finally he may come to the lànd' of everlasting life; there to reign with thèe' world withoùt end—through Jesus Christ' our Lòrd. Amen.

Almighty and immortal Gód—the aid of all that néed,, the hélper of all that flée-to-thee for súccour,, the Life of them that beliève, and the Resurrection of the dea"d;—we call-uponthee for this infant, that he' coming to thy Holy Báptism, may receive remission of his síns' by spíritual regeneration. Receive-him' O Lord... ás thou hast prómised' by thy well-beloved Son,, sáying, Ask, and ye shall hàve; sèek, and ye shall find; knóck, and it shall be opened-untoyou: só give-now' unto ús that àsk; let ùs that séek, find; ópen-the-gate' unto us that kno"ck -that this infant' may enjoy the everlasting benediction' of thy HEA'VENLY-washing, and may còme' to the eternal kingdom which thou hast promised by Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hear the words of the Góspel, written by Saint Márk,, in the tenth chápter, at the thirteenth vèrse.

They brought young children to Christ, that he should touch-them; and his disciples' rebùked - those-that-brought-them. But when Je'sus-saw-it, he was much displeased; and said-unto-them, "Sùffer-the-little-children-to-come-unto-me, and forbid-them not; for of su'ch, is the kingdom of God. Vérily I sayunto-you, Whosoever' shall-not recéive-the-kingdom-of-God' as a little chi'ld, he shall not enter-therein." And he took-them-up in his àrms, put his hands-upon-them, and blèssed-them.

Belóved,, ye hear in this Góspel' the words of our Saviour Christ; that he commánded' the children to be brought-unto-him; how he blàmed thòse that would have kèpt-them fróm-him; how he exhorteth áll-men' to fóllow théir innocency. Ye percéive, hów' by his outward gesture and déed' he declared his good will-towards-them; for he embráced-them in his àrms, he laid his hánds-upon-them, and blèssed-them. Dóubt-ye-not therefore, but ear-

nestly beliève, that he will likewise fávour receive this présent infant; that he will brace-him' with the arms of his mèrcy; th will give-unto-him the blèssing of etèrnal and make-him partaker of his everlasting dom. Wherefore, we being thus persuad the good will of our Heavenly Father tov this infant, declared by his Son' Jesus Cha and nothing doubting but that He favous alloweth this charitable-work-of-our's, in bing-this-infant to his Holy Ba"ptism—le faithfully and devoutly give thanks-unto-and say—

(Storn) Almighty and everlasting God, Head Fáther,, we give thee humble thánks, for Thou hast vouchsafed to call-us' to the killedge of thy grace, and faith in Thèe: incithis-knowledge, and confi''rm-this-faith-in evermòre. Give thy Hóly Spìrit to thìs in that he may be born agàin, and be made an of everlasting salvation; through our I Jesus Christ—who liveth and reigneth, Thee and the Holy Spirit,, now' and for Amen.

Dearly Beloved—ye have brought this c

hére' to be baptized; ye have práyed' that our Lord Jesus Christ' would vouchsafe to receivehim, to reléase-him of his sins, to sanctify-him with the Holy Ghost,, to give-him the kingdom of héaven' and everlasting life. Ye have héardalso' that our Lord Jesus Christ' hath pròmised in his Góspel' to grànt-all-these-things'-that ye have prayed-for: which promise, who HE' for hispart, will' mòst súrely' kéep and perfòrm. Whérefore, áfter-this-promise made by Christ, this infant must also faithfully, for his-part, promise by you that are his súreties, (until he come of age to take it upon himself,) that he will (slow) renounce the devil and all his works, and constantly believe God's holy word, and obediently keep his commandments.

I demánd-therefore,

Dóst-thou, in the name of this child, renounce the *devil* and all his works; the vain pomp and glory of the *world*, with all covetous desires-of the-same; and the *carnal*-desires of

⁻covetous.] Observe that this word is pronounced covetus.

the fle'sh,, so that thou wilt-not follow, nor be lèd-by-them?

Answer. I renounce them all.

Dost thou believe in God, the Father Almighty, &c. (See p. 94.)

Answer. All this' I stéadfastly beliève.

Wilt thou be baptized-in-this-faith?

Answer. That is my desire.

Wilt-thou-then' obediently kéep' God's holy will and commándments, and wálk-in-the-same' all the dáys of thy life?

Answer. I will.

O Merciful Gód-grant' that the old-Adam'

Dost thou believe] Some readers terminate these questions with the rising inflection, according to the general rule (v) applicable to interrogations commencing with verbs. But the manner in which the questions are here introduced, affords reason for adopting the opposite inflection. 'I demand therefore, Dost thou believe, &c.?' may be considered as equivalent to 'I demand therefore whether thou dost believe;' consequently, all these interrogatories may terminate with the falling inflection.]

Wilt thou be baptized] This and the following question seem to imply a reference to the preceding answer, and therefore may terminate with the falling inflection. 'As thou hast professed-thy-faith, wilt thou be baptized-in-this-faith?' And again: 'As thou desirest to be baptized, wilt thou then keep God's commandments, and walk in the same all the days of thy life?]

in this child' may be sò bu''ried, that the ne''wman' may be raised up-in-him. Amen.

Gránt' that all càrnal-affections' may diein him, and that àll-things belonging to the Spirit' may live and gròw-in-him. Amen.

Grant' that he may have power and strength' to have victory and to triumph' against the dévil, the world, and the flèsh. Amen.

Gránt' that whosoever is here dedicated to Thée' by our office and mínistry,, may also be endued with heavenly virtues,, and everlastingly rewarded, through thy mèrcy, O blessed Lord Gód, who dost live, and gòvern áll-things, world without ènd. Amen.

Almighty, everliving Gód—whose most dearly beloved Son Jesus Chríst, for the forgiveness of our sins, did shed out of his most precious sìde' both water and blóod; and gave commandment to his disciples' that they should gó teách áll nátions, and baptize-them—(slow) in the name of the Fàther, and of the Sòn, and of the Holy Gho"st;—regárd' we besēech-thee' the supplications of thy congregation; sánctify this water' to the my'stical washing-away of sín; and gránt that this chíld, nòw to be bap-

tized-therein, may receive the fulness of thy grace, and ever remain in the number of thy faithful and elect-children; — through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Nàme-this-child.

N. I baptize-thee' in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

We receive this child' into the congregation of Christ's flock; and do sign-him with the sign of the cross, in token' that hereafter he shall not be ashamed' to confess the faith' of Christ cricified, and manfully to fight under his banner, against sin, the world, and the dévil; and to continue' Christ's faithful soldier and sérvant unto his lifé's ènd. Amen.

Seéing-now'-dearly-beloved-Bréthren, that this child is regènerate' and grafted into the body of Christ's Church, let us give

We receive, &c.] The tone firm and declarative. Seeing-now] The easy manner, recommended as suitable to the introductory address, may here be resumed.] thànks unto Almighty Gód for thése bènefits, and with one accord make our práyers-untohim, that this child may lead the rést-of-hislife according to this beginning.

Our Father which art in heaven, &c. See p. 73.

We yield-thee hearty thánks'-most-merciful-Fáther, that it hath pleased-thee to regéneratethis-infant' with thy Holy Spirit, to receive him for thine own-child' by adoption, and to ineorporate-him' into thy Holy Chùrch.

And humbly we beseech-thee to grant, that he, being dead unto sin, and living unto righteousness, and being buried-with-Christ in his dea"th, may crucify the old-man, and utterly abolish the w'hole body-of-sin; and that, as he is made partaker of the dea"th-of-thy-Son, he may also-be-partaker of his resurrection; so that finally, with the résidue of thy Holy Church, he may be an inhéritor of thine everlasting kingdom—through Christ our Lord.

EXHORTATION *.

Forasmuch as this child hath promised by you his sureties to renounce the devil and all his works, to believe in God, and to se'rve him—ye must remember that it is your parts and duties to see that this infant be taught, so soon as he shall be able to learn) what a solemn vow, promise, and profession he hath here made by you.

And that he may know-these-things the bétter, ye shall call-upon-him' to héar sèrmons; and chiefly-ye-shall-provide, that he may learn the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments, in the vulgar tongue,, and all other-things' which a Christian' ought to know and beliève' to his soul's health; and that this child' may be virtuously brought up' to lead a godly and a Christian-life; remembering always—(Mor) that BA'PTISM' doth represent-unto-us our profèssion; which is,—to follow the ex-

[•] The Minister may be here reminded of the marked change of manner, which again becomes absolutely necessary, in order to show the distinction between supplication to the Almighty, and an exhortation to our fellow-mortals.

àmple of our Sàviour Christ, and to be mâde like unto Hìm; that as Hê died and rose-again for u"s,, so should wè who-are-baptized' die from sin, and rise-again unto rìghteousness; continually mòrtifying' all our èvil and corrùpt affections, and dàily procéeding' in all virtue' and gódliness of living.

Ye are to take care' that this child be brought to the Bishop' to be confirmed-by-him,, as soon as he can say the Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments,, in the vulgar tongue,, and be further instructed in the Church Catechism, set forth for that purpose.

THE ORDER FOR THE BURIAL OF THE DEAD *.

I' am the resurrection and the Life, saith

* As these introductory sentences are to be pronounced by the minister in the open air whilst he precedes the corpse, it is scarcely possible that the mourners who follow, and at a considerable interval, should hear him perfectly, unless he speak slowly and distinctly, and with a loud voice. By turning his head to the side, he will afford those who are behind, a still further chance of hearing. The solemnity will

the Lord:—he that believeth in ME',, though he were déad, yet shall he live;—and whosoever liveth and believeth-in-me"—shall NE'VER-die. St. John xi. 25, 26.

be heightened by making a very long pause between each of the sentences. Unless these precautions be adopted, the mourners will frequently enter the Church without having been able to distinguish one word of the impressive declarations with which this admirable service begins.]

ways. The signification adopted in D'Oyly and Mant's Bible from Dr. Jortin, is this;—" Christ has made such promises of a future life, and given so many consolations against the dread of a dissolution, that it ought no longer to be called by the edicus name of death, but rather by the gentler appellation of sleep: and therefore Christ might truly say that his faithful servants shall never die." This meaning might be conveyed by the following mode of reading:—'shall never Dr'E—he shall merely sleep'.

Some, however, would render the Greek ob un devotor election alwa, by 'shall not die for ever;' i. e. he shall die, but not eternally. The compilers of our Liturgy adopt this interpretation in the final collect of this very service. (See infra p. 205.) But this mode of rendering is contrary to that which is adopted where similar forms of expression occur in Mar. iii. 29. and John iv. 14. viii. 52. In these passages, our electron alwa is rightly translated by 'never,' rather than 'not for ever.' Be this as it may, it is very doubtful whether any mode of reading the words as they now stand in the text—'shall never die'—can possibly convey the meaning of 'shall not die eternally.' By supposing that the word 'thus' is implied before 'liveth,' a definite meaning

I know that my Redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter-day upon the earth. And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: whom I shall see for myself, and mine-eyes-shall-behold, and not another. Job xix. 25—27.

We brought nothing into-this-world; and it is certain, we can carry-nothing out. The Lórd gave; and the Lórd hath taken awdy; BLESSED'-be-the-name-of-the-Lord. I Tim. vi. 7. Job i. 21.

PSALM XXXIX.

- 1. I said, I will take heed to my ways, that I offend-not in my tongue.
- 2. I will keep my mouth, as it were' with a bridle, while the ungodly-is-in-my-sight.
- 3. I held my tongue, and spake nothing; I kept silence, yea even from good-words; but it was pain and grief-to-me.

would be given, which would relieve the reader from all difficulty: "He that believeth in me, though he were (be) dead, yet shall he live (i.e. live again); and whosoever [thus] liveth and believeth in me, shall never-die; i.e. shall never die again, as those shall who do not believe in me.]

- 4. My heart was hot-within-me; and while I was thus musing, the *fire kindled*, and at last I spake with my tongue.
- 5. (c) Lōrd, let me know mine end, and the number of my dáys, that I may be certified how long I have to live.
- 6. Behold, thou hast made my dáys' as it were' a spàn-long; and mine áge' is even as nòthing in respect of The'E; and verily, évery man living is altogéther VANITY.
- 7. For mán' walketh in a vàin shádow, and disquieteth-himself-in-vain: he heapeth up riches, and cánnot tèll' whò shall gáther-them.
- 8. And now'-Lord,, what is my hope? Truly' my hope, is even in There.
- 9. Delíver-me from àll mine offences; and make-me-not' a rebùke unto the fóolish.
- 10. I became dúmb, and opened-not my mouth; for it was THY-doing.
- 11. Take thy plágue awáy-from-me.—I am even consu'med' by means of thy heávy hànd.
 - 12. When thou with rebukes' dost chasten
- 5. Lord The transition here from narrative to supplication must be carefully observed.

man for sin,, thou makest his beauty to consume away—like as it were a moth' frétting a garment: every-man-therefore' is but vànity.

- 13. 6 Hear my práyer, O Lord,, and with thine ears, consider my cálling: hóld-not thy peace at my téars.
- 14. For I am a stranger with thee, and a sójourner—as all my fàthers-were.
- 15. O spáre-me a little, that I may récover-my-strength, wo before I gò hénce, and bé nómore sèen.

Glory be to the Father, &c. (see p. 79.)

PSALM XC.

- 1. Lord, Thou hast been our refuge, from one-generation to another.
- 2. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever the earth and the world were made,, Thou art God, from everlasting, and world without end.
- 2.—from everlasting] i. e. "From the eternity that is past, before time began; to the eternity that is after, when time shall have in e.1." Dr. A. Clarke.

- 3. Thou turnest man to destruction: againthou sayest, Come-again, ye children of men.
- 4. For a thousand years in Thy-sight, are but as yesterday; seeing that is past as a watch in the night.
- 5. As soon as thou scatterest-them, they are even as a slèep; and fade away súddenly like the gràss.
- 6. In the *morning*' it is green, and groweth up; but in the *evening*' it is cut down, dried up, and withered.
- 7. For we consume away in thy displeasure; and are afraid at thy wrathful indignation.
- 8. Thou hast set our misdeeds before-thee, and our *sécret*-sins' in the light of thy countenance.
- 9. For when Thou art a'ngry,, all our days are gone: we bring our years to an end, as it were a tale that is told.
- 10. The days of our age are three-score years and ten; and though men be so strong, that they come to four-score years, yet is their
- 4. For a thousand years The meaning of this verse is more clear and forcible in the Bible translation:—" For a thousand years in thy sight are but as yesterday when it is past, and as a watch in the night."

strèngth thén, but lábour and sòrrow: so sōon pàsseth it away, and we are gòne.

- 11. But who regardeth the power of thy wrath? for even thereafter as a man feareth, so is thy displeasure.
- 12. Só teach-us to number our dáys,, that we may app'ly our héarts unto wisdom.
- 13. Túrn-thee'-O-Lord, at the lást,, and be gràcious-unto-thy-servants.
- 14. O sátisfy-us with thy mércy, and thát sòon; só shall we rejoice and be glád' all the dáys of our life.
- 15. Comfort-us-again now after the time that thou hast plagued-us, and for the years wherein we have suffered adversity.
- 16. Show thy servants thy work, and their children thy glory.
- 17. And the glorious Majesty' of the Lord our Goo' be upon us; prosper-thou' the work

^{11.—}even thereafter as a man, &c.] Probably the meaning is, 'Even thereafter (i. e. accordingly) as a man feareth Thee little or much, so is thy displeasure much or little.']—" Who is there that duly lays to heart the effect of thy anger, and considers that it is proportioned to our piety or disobedience!"—TRAVELL.

of our hands-upon-us;—O pròsper Тно́ our handy-work.

Glory be, &c.

1 Cor. xv. 20.

Now is Christ' risen from the déad, and become the *first*-fruits of them that slèpt. For since by màn came de'ath, by mán came álso' the resurrection-of-the-dead. For as in

1 Cor. xv. 20.] As this portion of the Scripture is printed in the book of Common Prayer without the usual division into verses, it is particularly necessary for the Reader to observe the several parts of the Apostle's argument, and to distinguish the several transitions, by pauses and suitable change of manner.]

Now is Christ] It is not necessary to read this passage in the manner in which it would be read when connected with the preceding verses: 'If Christ be not raised, your faith is vain, &c. But now is Christ risen from the dead.' When these latter words are detached from the context, the auxiliary 'is' would be no longer emphatic. The word 'now' (a conjunction in this place), must be considered as expletive. In the original it serves to connect the argument.]

RESUREECTION-of-the-dead] In support of this mode of reading, two reasons may be assigned: 1., the words 'of the dead' might be omitted without injuring the sense; as in the Acts—"when he preached Jesus and the Resurrection;"—2., if the sentence were expressed thus, 'For since by man

A'dam' àll die", even so' in Christ, shall áll be made Allve.

But évery-man in his ówn òrder: Christ, the first-fruits; afterward, they that are Christ's, Then cometh the E'ND, when at his còming. he shall have delivered up the kingdom to Gòn, even the Father; when he shall have pùt dówn' áll rùle, and all authority, and power. For he must réign' till he hath pút' àll énemies under his fèet. The LA"sT-enemy-that-shallbe-destroyed, is DE'ATH. (For HE' hath put A'LL things-under-his-feet. But when he saith, a"ll things'-are-put-únder-him,, it is manifest' that he is excepted' which did Pu'T-all-things-underhim.) And when all-things shall be subduedunto-him., then shall the Són also himsèlf" be sùbject unto Hím' that did pút áll things underhim: that Góp—may be áll in àll.

came death, by man came also the resurrection from death,' the emphasis would certainly be laid upon 'resurrection,' and continued over 'from death,' because the word 'death' had been previously expressed in the sentence. (Rule xxv.) But the expression, 'the resurrection from death' is equivalent to 'the resurrection from the dead;' therefore the latter words should be read in the same way as the former.]

E'lse;—what shall they-do' which are bap-tixed-for-the-dead, if the dead' rise-not-at-all? Why are they then baptized-for-the-dead? And why stand we in jeopardy' every hour?—I protest by your rejoicing which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord—I die daily. If, after the manner of men, I have fought with beasts at E"phesus, what advantageth it me, if the dead rise not? Let us eat and drink; for tomorrow' we die.—Be-not deceived. E'vil communications' corrupt good manners. Awake to right-eousness, and sin not; for some have-not the knowledge of God. I speak this' to your shame.

But—sóme-man will sáy, Hòw'-are-the-dead-

Else] The Apostle here reverts to the subject of the 20th verse, 'Christis risen from the dead.' To show this to be the case, a considerable pause must precede.]

—baptized for the dead] i. e. "baptized in the faith and profession, as of other articles of the Creed, so of this, in particular, of the resurrection of the dead, and consequently in hope of the resurrection."—Hammond, Burkitt, Pyle.—See D'Oyly and Mant's Bible. No mode of reading however can give any very clear meaning to this difficult passage.

Be not deceived The delivery here must be authoritative, and slower.

But-some-man] Another change of manner is here required.]

raised-up? and with wha't-body-do-they-come? -Thou Fool! that which thou sowest, is not quickened, except it die. And that which thou sówest, thou sówest-not thàt-body that shállbe, but báre gràin (it may chance of wheat, or of some other-grain); but Goo'giveth it a body' as it hath pleased-him; and to évery-seed his o'wn-body. A'll flèsh' is not the same-flesh; but there is one-kind-of-flesh' of men, another' of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds. There are also celéstial-bodies, and bodies terrèstrial. But the GLÓRY of the celèstial is o''ne: and the glory of the terrestrial' is another. There is one-glory' of the sun; and anotherglory' of the moon; and another-glory' of the stàrs: for one-star' differeth from another-star' in glory. So also user is the resurre ction of It is sown in corruption; (*) it is the DE'AD. ra"ised' in incorruption: It is sown' in dishonour; (*) it is ra"ised' in GLORY: It is sown in weakness; (*) it is ra"ised' in power: It is sown

Thou fool] This expression appears equivalent to "How great is thy folly!" and therefore it may terminate with the conclusive inflection.]

a nátural-body; (*) it is raísed' a spiritual-body.

There is a nátural-body, and there is a spìritual-body. And so it is written, 'The first man' A'dam, was made a living soul;—the LA'ST-Adam,, was made' a QUICKENING SPÌRIT.

Howbeit, that was not first which is spinitual, but that which is natural; and afterward, that which is spiritual. The first-man is of the earth, earthy: the second-man is the Lord from Heaven. A's is the earthy, such are they that are earthy; and as is the heavenly, such are they-also that are heavenly. And as we have-borne the image of the earthy, we shall also-bear the image of the Heavenly.

Now this-I-say,-brethren, that flèsh and blood' ca'nnor-inherit the kingdom of God; neither can corruption' inherit incorruption.

Behold, I show you a my'stery: we shall not all sleep; but we shall all be CHA'NGED—in a moment—in the twinkling of an eye—at the LA'ST TRU'MP.

For the trumpet shall sound, and the DE'AD' shall be ráised I''NCORRUPTIBLE, and we' shall be CHA'NGED. For this corruptible must put on in corruption; and this mortal must put on I'MMORTALITY.

So, when this corruptible shall have put on incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on i"mmortality; then shall be brought to pass' the saying that is written—(*) De'ath' is swallowed-up in victory! O De"ath, where is thy sting? O gra"ve, where is thy'-victory?

The sting-of-death' is sin; and the stringth-of-sin, is the Làw. But' thanks be to Gód, which giveth u's-the-victory—through our Lórd' Je'sus Christ.

(0) Thérefore'-my-beloved-Bréthren,, be y stèdfast, uni veable, always abounding in the

—and we' shall be changed i. e. we who are then alive.

—giveth us the-victory God no longer alloweth déath to have the victo y, but he now giveth it to us.]

Therefore, my beloved brethren] The tone of animated and lofty triumph, which is well adapted to the delivery of the preceding paragraphs, should here be exchanged for a calm, deliberate manner, suited to the affectionate and work of the Lórd; forasmuch as ye knów that your lábour is not in va'ın'-in-the-Lord.

THE SERVICE AT THE GRAVE.

Mán that is bórn of a wóman, hath but a shòrt-time to live, and is füll of misery. He cometh úp, and is cut down' like a Flòwer. He fleéth, as it were a sha'dow; and never continueth in ône stày.

In the midst of life, we are in DEA'TH:—
of whom may we seek for succour, but of
THEE"-O-Lord, who' for our sins' art justly displeased.

Yet, O Lord God most hóly, O Lord most mighty, O holy and most merciful Sa"viour,, deliver-us-not into the bitter pains of ete rnal-death.

Thou knówest'-Lord, the sècrets of our héarts; shút-not thy *merciful* ears to our práyer; but *spáre*-us, Lórd most holy, O Gód

earnest exhortation with which this admirable chapter concludes.]

most mighty, O hóly and mérciful Sáviour,, thou most worthy Judge etérnal,, súffer-us-not at our làst hóur, for any pains of Déath' to fall from The'e.

Forasmuch as it hath pleased Almighty God, of his great mercy, to take unto himself the soul-of-our-dear-brother' here departed,, we therefore commit his bódy' to the ground: earth to earth; ashes to ashes; dust to dust; () in sure and certain hope' of the resurrection to ete'rnal life, through our Lord' Jesus Christ; who shall change our vile-body' that it may be like unto his glórious-body,, according to the mighty working, whereby he is able' to subdue A'll-things to Himself.

I heard a voice from *Heaven*, sáying-untome, Write,, From *hénceforth*, bléssed-are-thedead' which die in the Lòrd: E'ven só, saith the *Spirit*; for they rest from their làbours. Rev. xiv. 13.

Lord, have mércy-upon-us.

After a considerable pause, a suitable change of manner is required in pronouncing the simple, but impressive form of interment.

CHRIST, have mércy-upon-us. Lord, háve mèrcy-upon-us.

Our Fāther-which-art-in-Héaven—hállowed' be thy nàme; Thy kingdom' cóme; Thy will' be dòne in Eárth, ás it is' in Heàven.—Gíve-us thís-day' our dáily brèad; and forgive-us our tréspasses, as wè forgive thém' that tréspass against ùs; and léad-us-not into temptátion,, but delíver-us from èvil.

Almighty Gód, with whom do live the spírits of thém that depart-hence in the Lord, and with whom' the souls of the faithful, after they are delivered from the burden of the flésh, are in $j\partial y$ and feli''city—we give-thee heàrty thánks, for that it hath pléased thee' to deliver this our Brother' out of the miseries of this sínful world; besēēching-thee, that it may pléase-thee' of thy gracious goodness' shortly to accomplish the number of thine elèct, and to hasten thy kingdom; that wé, with all those that are departed in the true faith of thy holy name, may have our perfect consummátion and bliss' both in bòdy and soul, in thy eternal and everlasting glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

THE COLLECT.

O merciful God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ who is the Resurrection and the Life; in whom whosoever believeth, shall live' though he die; and whosoever liveth and believeth in Hím, shall nòt-die ete'rnally; who also hath táught us, by his holy Apostle' Saint Paúl, not to be sórry, as men without hope, for thém that sleep in Hi''m;—We meekly beseech-thee-O-Father, to raise ús' from the death of sin' unto the life of righteousness; that when wé-shall-depart-this-life, we may rest in Him, as our hope-is' this our Brother-doth; and that, at the general Resurrection at the last dáy, we may be found accéptable-in-thy-sight; and receive that blessing, which thy well-beloved Són' shall then pronounce' to all that love and fear Thee,, saying, "Come, ye blessed children of my Fáther,, receive the kíngdom' prepared-for-you from the beginning of the world."—Grant this, we beseech-thee' O merciful Fa"ther,, through Jesus Christ, our Mediator and Redèemer.

The Grace' of our Lord Jesus Christ, and

the Love of God, and the Fellowship of the Holy Gho"st—be with-us all evernore.

* To say that the Burial Service should always be read slowly and impressively, may appear superfluous; but the author, having formerly had the charge of a London parish in which the funerals were very numerous, knows by experience, that frequent and immediately successive repetitions of the service, powerfully tend to produce a habit of rapid delivery; and therefore he feels assured, that a few words of caution may not be unnecessary. Many a clergyman insensibly acquires this habit; and is quite unconscious of it himself, though it may be very striking to others. The sentiments being familiar to him, his mind has no difficulty in accompanying the words, however rapidly they may be uttered; but the case is often materially different with regard to the hearers. Among the train of mourners at a funeral, probably there may be some who have seldom or never heard the service before: such persons will hardly be able to join in the prayers, unless they be read with distinctness and deliberation. (A similar remark is applicable to all the occasional offices of the Church.)—This mode of delivery is still further necessary, since the supplicatory part of the service takes place in the open air.-It should also be recollected, that on these occasions the congregation frequently includes dissenters from our establishment, whose natural prejudices will either be diminished or encreased, according as the service is read in a solemn and impressive, or in a huzried and careless manner. Indeed, any thing that, in the mode of officiating, looks like haste or indifference, is offensive to all, and naturally subjects the minister's piety to suspicions, which the most exemplary discharge of the other parts of his

sacred office will scarcely be able to remove.—Nor let it be forgotten, that at such times the heart is frequently softened by sorrow; even the most inconsiderate are taught to think, and the most hardened are made to feel: on such hearers, the service, if read with proper solemnity and earnestness, is likely to produce the most beneficial effects; and thus, through the divine blessing, the 'Burial of the Dead' may become spiritual life to the li ving.]

* Whilst this sheet was passing through the press, the author had the gratification to find, that several of the sentiments contained in the preceding note, had been enforced with the weight of episcopal authority: "Few things give greater offence, or create more estrangement from the Church, than a hasty and slovenly manner of performing the occasional offices. These seem to have been drawn up with an immediate view to effect on the minds of individuals, at a time when it is particularly desirable that they should receive good impressions. Thus in the office of baptism, the foundations of our faith, the terms of the Christian covenant, and the instruction to be given to children, are set forth so clearly and fully, that no one who listens with attention can be ignorant of his obligations to Christ, or his duty to his own family. The careless performance of the Service defeats this good intention; the ceremony passes off as a matter of course, and is regarded as a mere formality. How beautifully, again, in the Burial Service, are the considerations of the frail tenure of life. the comfortable promises of immortality, and the certainty of a judgment to come, adapted to the state of the heart, when it is prepared by affliction to listen to the warnings, or to receive the consolations of religion! But the effect depends on the minister; if he is careless and cold, or shews signs of haste and impatience, the mourner who follows, in all the excitement of sorrow, the remains of a friend or relation to the grave, retires disappointed and grieved at an indifference

so, little in accordance with the awful solemnity, so offensive to his own feelings. This latter Service, in particular, is often attended by those who are not in the habit of resorting to our places of public worship, and may sometimes afford the only occasion of awakening the conscience of the profane or immoral, or softening the prejudices of Dissenters. It is therefore the more to be lamented, that, through want of attention, it should ever produce a contrary effect. I will not conceal that I have occasionally heard complaints on these subjects; and though I am aware that in populous parishes the strength of the minister must be sometimes exhausted by the incessant recurrence of these duties, I do not think it too much to expect that he should use a little exertion, (recollection, perhaps, I should say) to overcome his lassitude. If he reflects for an instant on the nature of the service, he will perform it with due solemnity. I am persuaded that no serious man will regard these matters with indifference."—See p. 17. of a Charge delivered to the Clergy of the Diocese of London, at the Visitation in July 1826, by William, Lord Bishop of London.

APPENDIX

ON

PRONUNCIATION.

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APPENDIX.

THOUGH errors of pronunciation in the public ministering of a Clergyman, are trifles in comparison of "truth of doctrine and innocency of life," still they ought to be carefully avoided. Deviations from the common usage of speaking arrest the attention of the higher classes of society, interrupt the current of thought, and turn it from the matter to the manner, from the meaning of the words to the pronunciation of them. And not only is this effect produced upon the giddy and irreligious, but sometimes even upon the grave and devout. This consideration gives to the subject an importance which will influence the student who is anxious to perform his duty, in every respect, and towards all classes of hearers. to the best of his ability; and may perhaps induce him to devote a little time to the perusal of the following pages, in which are incorporated some of the remarks and rules of Walker and other writers, on the subject of pronunciation.

PRONUNCIATION.

Dr. Johnson's general rule, that "those are to be considered as the most elegant speakers who deviate least from the written words," has been justly censured by Mr. Walker. It has already led to much innovation, and, in many cases, produced diversity of pronunciation

where previously there was uniformity. For example: Those who are guided by the spelling, sound the final unaccented vowel distinctly in heaven, open, evil, reckon, reason, &c., in which words it formerly was always suppressed; (see sections 15, 16, 17.) They likewise sound the a distinctly in the terminations of such words, as nobleman, combat, &c. instead of adopting the obscure, intermediate sound which approximates to the sound of u; (see section 11. b.) They also give to some consonants in certain situations their alphabetic sounds, instead of admitting after them that liquid sibilation which constitutes an analogy that runs through the language: thus they say vir-tue for vir-tshue, na-ture for na-tshure, censure for censhure, &c. (see section 6.) By following the above-mentioned principle, these discrepancies of pronunciation must increase to an infinite extent, because the words in most common use, are those which are pronounced with the widest deviation from the spelling. Instead therefore of admitting a rule which tends to make "confusion worse confounded," Walker recommends, that the analogies and tendencies of the language should be studied, as the best guides in orthopy. But as Johnson's rule is much more easily adopted than Walker's, it is not surprising that the former should have more followers; among whom, it is very natural that young clergymen should be included, particularly at the commencement of their professional labours. Hence are heard extraordinary changes in the pronunciation even of the most common words in the Church-Service, in defiance of decided custom: thus, are, have, bu-rial, apos-tle, epis-tle, folk, idol, covet, covenant, &c. &c. are frequently sounded exactly according to the pelling, instead of being sounded in the usual manner.

as if they were spelt thus: arr, hav, ber-ri-al, apos-sl, epis-sl, (the t silent in both these words)—foke, idul, cuv-et, cuv-e-nant, &c. &c. -- But " * No man," says the ingenious author of 'The Theory of Elocution,' "has a right to question any customary manner of sounding a word, who is unacquainted with the general rules that secretly influence custom. -- Should the investigation necessary for arriving at these data be deemed too laborious. then let it not be thought too much to follow implicitly an orthoppist like Walker, who really had made the investigation: excepting only in those cases in which, to agree with him; would be to violate indubitable usage—cases which will sometimes occur from the variation of usage since his Dictionary was written." But where is this usage to be learned? Walker's remark will serve to guide us: "Neither a finical pronunciation of the court, nor a pedantic Grecism of the schools, will be denominated respectable usage, till a certain number of the general mass of speakers have acknowledged them; nor will a multitude of common speakers authorize any pronunciation which is reprobated by the learned and polite."

Though Walker's valuable Dictionary is in every one's hands, (it is now passing through the twenty-seventh edition,) still some advantage may be derived from bringing into one view, what are considered by that distinguished orthoepist to be some of the remarkable tendencies which prevail in the pronunciation of the language †.

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^{*} Smart's Theory, &c. p. 43.

[†] The student may consult with great advantage Smart's 'Practical Grammar of English Pronunciation,' a work which deserves to be generally known.

grandiner von Statischer ein Statischer und Feieberchte (p. 1783) Erwyle, der George von wier der Statischer bekannte magenenig Statischer von George (p. 1784)

REMARKABLE TENDENCIES OF PRONUNCIATION.

- 1. Compound and derivative words generally shorten the vowel which is long in the primitive words: thus, shipherd from sheep-herd, vineyard from vine-yard, Christ-mass from Christ-mass, Michaelmas from Michael-mass, breakfast from break-fast, före-head from fore-head; miadow from mead, primer from prime, pillard from poll, knivoledge from know, &c.
- 2. The antepenultimate accent generally shortens the vowel, when a single consonant, or two that are proper to begin a syllable, intervene between it and the next vowel: thus nature, natural; parent, parentage; panal, pinalty; simon, simony; globe, glöbular; patron, patronage; mitre, mitrical.

Exception (a). U is never thus shortened: thus, cube, cubical; music, musical; lunar, lunary; humour, kumorous.

Exception (b).—The antepenultimate accent does not shorten the vowel (unless that vowel be i) when the following syllable has in it a proper diphthong beginning with e or i, as ei, eo, ia, ie, io, iu, eou, or iou:—Ex. A-theist, me-teor, me-diate, a-lien, occa-sional, me-dium, ourra-geous, harmo-nious.* But so great a propensity

The same rules and exceptions prevail in the usual English mode of pronouncing Greek and Latin. Hence the long vowel in rade, deme, vive, gone, is shortened by the antepenultimate accent in rad-ere, dem-ere, viv-ere, pom-ere; hence the first vowel is sounded long in ha-bee, mo-nee, ra-pie, and short in hab-ui, mon-ui, rap-ui; hence we say, sta-tio and stat-ua, mo-sier

(says Mr. Walker) have vowels to shrink under this accent, that the diphthong in some words, and analogy in others, are not sufficient to prevent it: thus väliant, retäliate, nätional, rätional.

- 3.—The secondary accent * in derivative words generally shortens the vowel which is long, though unaccented, in the primitive words. Hence the first vowel which is lengthened in de-prive, re-péat, profâne, becomes shert, through the influence of the secondary accent, in dep'-riva tion, rep'-eti-tion, prof'-and-tion.
- (a) The exceptions to this effect of the secondary accent, are similar to those which take place under the antepenultimate accent: viz. when u occurs; as lucubrate, lucubration: pu-rify, pu-rifica tion: or when the following syllable contains a semi-consonant diphthong beginning with e or i: (see exception (b) under the antepenultimate accent;) thus the long e in di-viate, mi-diate, continues long in di-viation, mi-diation, mi-diator.

and met-nor. An observance of the principles which guide our pronunciation in English, will prevent that diversity which often prevails among those who wish to retain the usual English mode of pronouncing Greek and Latin. These remarks are not applicable to the system of pronunciation adopted at the Charter House; which, since the pronunciation of the ancients is lost, comes recommended by its practical utility in facilitating the acquisition of an accurate knowledge of the 'longs and shorts.']

The secondary accent is that stress which is eccasionally placed in words of four or more syllables upon some other syllable besides that which has the principal accent. Thus, accent is placed on the first syllable of connercation, commendation, besides the principal one on the third syllable, when the word is not preceded by an accented syllable. But when it is so preceded, the secondary accent is not used: thus polite conversation; great commendation.

- 4.—The past tense frequently shortens the vowel which is long in the present tense: thus, bit from bite; said from say; read from read; and heard from hear.
- 5.—W has a peculiar power over the sound of the succeeding vowel: hence the sound given to φ in worm, word: and the broad sound given to the α in water, wan, quantity (kwontity), quality, (kwolity) qualify (kwolify,) &c. The u which always follows q, is sounded like w: and as w always communicates a broad sound to a in the syllables al and ant when under the accent, analogy clearly requires that the broad sound should be adopted in quality, qualify, quantity, &c.
- 6.—An aspirated hissing is given to T, D, S, Z, X, and soft C, immediately after the accent (either primary or secondary), and before proper diphthongs beginning with e or i; likewise often before u.
- (a) T is sounded like sh in the combinations tia, tial, tian, tiate, tient, tience, tion, tious; as in minutia, partial, partiality, tertian, expatiate, patient, patience, nation, captious, &c.
- (b) T is sounded like tsh in the combinations teous, tue, tuous, tual, tune, ture, tute; likewise when t follows s. n, x; as in righteous, virtue, virtuous, spiritual, fortune, nuture, statute; bestial, question, frontier, admixtion, &c.
- "This pronunciation of t extends to every word in which the diphthong or diphthongal sound begins with tor e, except in the termination of verbs and adjectives,

^{*} On minutely considering the position of the organs of speech when pronouncing these consonants and vowels, it appears that this sibilation promotes ease of utterance. See Walker's Principles, art. 459; also Smart's 'Practical Grammar of English Pronunciation.' pp. 68, 212.

which preserve the simple in the augment, without suffering the t to go into the hissing sound: as, I pity, thou pitiest, he pities or pitied; mightier, worther, twentieth, thirtieth, &c. This is agreeable to the general rule, which forbids adjectives or verbal terminations to alter the sound of the primitive verb or noun."—WALKER

(c) D is sounded like j in soldier, grandeur, verdure; and like dj in educate, education, pronounced ed-jucate, ed-jucation.

Walker gives it as his opinion, that the aspiration of the d will be sufficiently expressed by introducing the consonant y before the vowel. The usage of the present day has certainly followed this opinion: thus hideous, odious, India, Indian, &c. are commonly pronounced as if written hid-ye-us or hid-yus; ode-ye-us or ode-yus; Ind-ye-a or Ind-ya; Ind-ye-an or Ind-yan*.

- (d) S is sounded like sh in the combinations, seate, sient, sion, sure, sue; as in nauseate, transient, dimension, censure, issue, &c.
- (e) S is sounded like zh when preceded by a vowel or vowel-sound: as in occasion, Ephesians, pleasure, &c.
- (f) Z is sounded like zh in glazier, grazier, vizier, azure, razure, trapezium.
- (g) X is sounded like ksh in axiom, flexion, crucifixion, anxious, &c.
- (h) C is sounded like sh in ocean, testaceous, social, asssociate, internecion, and in similar combinations.

In speaking of these words, and likewise of piteous, dateous, &c. Mr. Smart observes, that analogy is strictly in favour of an aspirated pronunciation; but custom is not equally decisive. "Here the speaker may take a middle course: let not the hissing sounds which incline to come between, be containly avoided, and the organs of speech in passing from t or d to the vowel, will of themselves slightly introduce them." Smart's Theory, p. 40.

(i) N.B. It must be carefully remembered that the foregoing remarks are restricted to the case of unaccented
syllables. When the accent falls on the vowel immediately after T, D, S, X, and soft C, those letters retain
their proper sound: as satiety, tune; endure, due; pursue, suicide, suit; anxiety; financier (finanseer), society.

The only exceptions are sugar and sure, with their compounds.

RLEGANCIES OF PRONUNCIATION.

7. A custom prevails, especially among the higher classes \bullet , of pronouncing a in the following combinations, like the a in fat, rather than the a in far.

amp sample, example.

ance chance, chancellor, dance, France, askance, glance, lance, advance, &c.

slan slander, slanderous.

ans answer (anser).

ant grant, plant, slant, &c.

ass glass, grass, lass, pass, &c.

• When the custom of the higher classes differs from that of the lower, the former should be followed, for this reason: their pronunciation is, in many instances, adopted from regard to some principle, either right or wrong; and a deviation from their practice immediately attracts their notice; and for the moment takes off their attention from the subject which the clergyman is delivering; whereas, the pronunciation of the lower classes, is adopted from habit, not principle, and any peculiarity in the speaking of others does not arrest their attention.]

cast, castle, fast, last, lasting, mast, (master retains the a as in far) nasty, vast, fantastic, bastion, alabaster, &c.

ask ask, basket, cask, flask, task, &c.

aft after, craft, abaft, waft, &c.

Many of these words were formerly written with u after the a, and pronounced accordingly; "but since the u has vanished, the a has been gradually pronounced slenderer and shorter, though the termination mand in command, demand, &c. formerly written command, demand, atill retains the long sound inviolably." WALKER.

8. — THE LIQUID SOUND OF K, C, and G hard, before A and I.

The liquid sound of these consonants before a sounded as in far, and before i, distinguishes the polite pronunciation of London from that of every other part of the island. This pronunciation is nearly as if the a and i were preceded by e. Thus, kind is sounded as if written ke-ind; card as ke-ard, and regard as re-ge-ard. The sound of the consonant is hereby softened and better united with the subsequent vowel. Mr. Walker has shown that this is not a fanciful peculiarity, but a pronunciation arising from a regard to euphony and the analogy of the language; that it is admitted by most writers on orthoepy; and that it is not the offspring of the present day, as it was mentioned even by Ben Jonson*. Among the words

See Walker's Principles, Nos. 92 and 160; and Smart's Grammar of Pronunciation, p. 67, art. 52.

in which this liquid sound is peculiarly observable, the following, with their compounds, require to be mentioned: sky, kite, kind, calf, calves, car, carcass, card, cart, carp, carpet, carpenter, carve, carbuncle, carnal, cartridge; gurden, garland, garter, garment, garnish, garniture, guard, regard, gird, girt, girl, guide, guile, guise, gaunt, gauntlet.

9,-FAULTY PRONUNCIATION OF ACCENTED VOWELS.

The irregular sound of o, as heard in the words dove, love, &c. is frequently disregarded by those who think themselves bound to follow the spelling. Such speakers require to be reminded that o, when under the accent and followed by m, n, v, or th, very frequently has the above-mentioned short sound of u as in cub. This pronunciation is required in comfort, company, combat, comrade, &c. among, mongrel, monger, ton, tongue, &c. covet, covenant, oven, &c. other, mother, doth, &c.

The same sound is to be admitted in a few instances before z and r; as in dozen, cozen; borough, attorney, thorough *.

U, following r, sometimes assumes the sound of oo, instead of its sound in cube. This happens in the following words, and in their compounds: truth, truly, brute, ruin, ruler, unruly, frugal, cruel, crucify, prudent, Druid, fruit, &c.

The following faults in the pronunciation of accented vowels are principally provincial; but as they are some-

[•] See No. 165 of the 'Principles' prefixed to Walker's Dictionary,

times, through inadvertence, committed even by those who are in other respects accurate and elegant speakers, and as they extend to a considerable class of words, they require to be noticed.

In catch, gather, having, thanks, thanksgiving, &c. the a is often incorrectly sounded as e, as if written ketch, gether, heving, thenks, thenksgiving. Get, forget, yet, instead, are altered into git, forgit, yit, and instid; since into sence; whilst justly, justice, such, shut, &c. are frequently pronounced justly, jestice, sech, shet.

To change er or ir, when under the accent and followed by a vowel, into ur, is an error which may be considered altogether provincial; but as the words in which it is observable, are of frequent occurrence in the Holy Scriptures, in the Church-Service, or in sermons, it may be useful to mention it. In this mode of pronunciation, the words imperative, heresy, merry, verily, error, miracles, irritate, &c. are altered into impur-ative, hur-esy, murry, vur-ily, urror, mur-acles, urritate,

10.—PRONUNCIATION OF UNACCENTED SYLLABLES.

"Besides such imperfections in pronunciation as disgust every ear not accustomed to them, there are a thousand insensible deviations in the more minute parts of language, as the unaccented syllable may be called, which do not strike the ear so forcibly as to mark any direct impropriety in particular words, but occasion only such a general imperfection as gives a bad impression on the whole. Speakers with these imperfections, pass very well in common conversation; but when they are required to pronounce with emphasis, and for that purpose to be more distinct and definite in their utterance, here their ear fails them: they have been accustomed only to loose, cursory speaking, and for want of firmness of pronunciation, are like those painters who draw the muscular exertions of the human body without any knowledge of anatomy. This is one reason, perhaps, why we find the elecution of so few people agreeable when they read or speak to an assembly, while so few offend us by their utterance in common conversation. A thousand faults lie concealed in a miniature, which a microscope brings to view; and it is only by pronouncing on a larger scale, as public speaking may be called, that we prove the propriety of our elocution."-WALKER.

- ALLOWABLE FLUCTUATION IN THE SOUND OF SOME UNACCENTED VOWELS AND DIPHTHONGS.
- (a) A, final in a syllable without accent, receives a sound between that of a as heard in ah, and that of u in fur. Ex. a-bound, tra-duce, di-a-dem, ide-a.
- (b) A, followed by a consonant in a syllable without accent, receives a sound which wavers between that in at and that in ut. In colloquial pronunciation it will tend towards the latter sound; in deliberate reading or speaking, it will decline less from the former. Ex. combat, nobleman.

(c) O, followed by a consonant in a final syllable without accent, acquires the sound of short, or shut u, as heard in tub; and if not in a final syllable, it approaches that sound.

In a final syllable, o is sounded decidedly as u: thus mammock, cassock, method, pistol, custom, author, carrot, &c. are pronounced mammuck, cassuck, methud, &c.

The same sound is adopted in the numerous class of words ending in on, sion, and tion; as tendon, bludgeon, syphon, million, champion, centurion, occasion, nation, &c.

The case is the same in unaccented monosyllables:—thus, 'The sense of (uv) words is learned from (frum) use.'

- (d) O, not in a final syllable, approaches the sound of short u: command, conjecture, recollect, recommend. Consult Walker's Dictionary on these words.
- (e) The sound of u which comes after l, j, s, t, and d, circumstanced as in *lute*, *sluice*, *juice*, *censure*, *leisure*, *nature*, *verdure*, wavers between the sound of u as heard in *rude* and that in *cube* •.
- (f) The words the, to, your, for, my, vary in their sound according to their situation.

When the precedes a word beginning with a vowel, the e is sounded plainly and distinctly; but when it precedes a consonant, it has a short sound, little more than the sound of th without the e. This difference will be perceptible by comparing the oil, the air, &c. with the pen, the hand, &c. It is obvious in the following couplet:—

[&]quot;Some, foreign writers, some our own despise;
The ancients only, or the moderns prize."

[•] See Smart's 'Theory,' &c. p. 37.

To, likewise, is pronounced long before a vowel, and short before a consonant. This distinction will be evident, by the following examples: to ask, to end, to open, to utter, to begin. "One man went to Eton; another went to London."

Your and for, when unaccented, have their vowels shortened into a sound like that heard in fur: "Give me your (yur) hand; I wish for (fur) help *."

When my is not accented, the y is pronounced as the y in ably, lady.

12.—FAULTY PRONUNCIATION OF UNACCENTED VOWELS.

E, i, o, in unaccented syllables, are erroneously sounded like short u; and u like e.

- I. In unaccented commencing syllables,
- e final in the syllable, is improperly sounded like short u:

event, *uv*-vent; especial, *us*-special; before, *buf*-fore; believe, *bul*-lieve; beneath, *bun*-neath; peruse, *pur*-ruse; repent, *rup*-pent, &c.

- i final in the syllable +, is improperly sounded like uh:
- Another intermediate sound, namely, between the a in fate and u in fur, is sometimes given to the i in virtue, virgin, &c.; but it is here omitted, on account of its not being very generally adopted.]
- † When i ends a syllable immediately before the accent, it is sometimes pronounced long, as in vi-tality, where the first syllable is sounded exactly like the first of vial; and sometimes short, as in digest, where the i is pronounced as if the word were written de-gest. Consult Walker's 'Principles,' No. 115 to No. 138; also Smart's 'Practical Grammar,' pp. 113, 134.

bisect, buh-sect; direct, duh-rect; digest, duh-gest; minute, muh-nute, &c.

o final in the syllable, is improperly sounded like u *: obey, ub-bey; oblige, ub-blige; opinion, up-pinion; society, sus-siety, &c.

II. In unaccented middle syllables,

ible	is improperly sounded like	wbble: visible, vis-ubble, &c.
ü		ul: family, fam-ully, &c.
isy		ussy: hypocrisy, hypoc-russy, &c.
ity		· utty : charity, char-utty, &c.
0		un: agony, agun-ny, &c.
		e: particular, partic-e-lar, &c.
		regular, reg-e-lar, &c.
		monument, mon-e-ment.
		augury, aug-e-ry.

III. In unaccented final syllables,

ed	is improperly changed into	ud: committed, committed, &c.
el		ul: gospel, gospul, &c.
emm		umn : solemn, solumn, &c.
enc	, 	unce : patience, patience, &c.
ent		unt : silent, silent, &c.
es t		uz : wishes, wishuz, &c.
ess		uss: goodness, goodness, &c.
eth		utk : sinneth, sinnuth, &c.
ip		· up : worship, worshup, &c.
社		· ut : spirit, spirut, &c.
ite		ut: infinite, infinut, &c.
ow		- ur : window, windur, &c.

The termination ful is sometimes incorrectly pro-

[•] The fluctuating sound of the o, noticed in p. 225, takes place when o is followed by a coasonant in the syllable.

[†] E is properly sounded as u in final unaccented syllables before r: as in writer, reader, pronounced as if written writur, reader; but in commencing unaccented syllables, as in erroneous, eruption, &c., e retains the sound it has in met and me.

nounced with the short sound of the u; thus beautiful, dutiful, &c. instead of beautifull, dutifull.

13. — SUPPRESSING UNACCENTED VOWELS WHERE THEY SHOULD BE SOUNDED, AND SOUNDING THEM WHERE THEY SHOULD BE SUPPRESSED.

The termination ED in the past tense and participle.

Most clergymen think that the verbal and participial ed should be distinctly sounded in reading the Church-Service. This practice is supposed to help to form a dignified distinction between the language of divine worship and that of ordinary conversation.

The exception, according to Walker, is when the ed is preceded by a vowel: thus he recommends that the e should be suppressed in justified, glorified, &c. This exception is admitted for the evident purpose of preventing the difficulty of utterance, occasioned by the hiatus of the vowels. For this reason the exception should extend to words ending with y or w, when those letters are sounded as vowels: as in obeyed, strayed, owed, bestowed, &c. The elision of the e in words having these and similar terminations, is uniformly adopted by Poets; who, though very uncertain guides with respect to the position of accent, must be admitted to be good judges of what sounds are to be regarded as smooth and harmonious. It must however be noticed, that if the accent does not immediately precede the w, that letter seems to acquire the power of a consonant: thus in the word 'hallowed,' in the Lord's Prayer, the general ear seems to

require that it should be pronounced hallo-wed; which forms a very harmonious trisyllable, very easy to be pronounced when followed by a pause, or by a word which admits an accent, as is the case in the prayer:—'hállowed bé thy name.'

But with respect to the rule itself, it is deserving of remark, that, though most clergymen admit it to be right in theory, very few are uniform in their practice of it. They adhere to it with tolerable regularity perhaps in the unvaried parts of the service; but they frequently neglect it when reading the Psalms and Lessons, the Epistles and Gospels: so that the vowel in ed is sometimes distinctly sounded in one part of the sentence, and suppressed in another. As this irregularity is exceedingly prevalent, it ought to be ascribed to some general cause; and such may be found, possessing very extensive, though secret influence upon the practice of most readers. Their ear inclines them unconsciously to prefer those which are the more harmonious sounds, and the organs of speech naturally slide into that mode of pronunciation which is attended with least effort.

Though it is readily allowed, that, in many cases, the distinct sound given to ed may contribute to harmony and facility of pronunciation, yet it sometimes will be found to produce a contrary effect, by its adding to the number of unaccented syllables, and thereby increasing the difficulty of utterance, and by producing an unpleasant repetition of similar sounds. For example: 'believed on in the world; received up into glory'—if the the final ed's are to be sounded in this passage, the reader will feel that considerable effort is required in order to pronounce the words distinctly and smoothly. This difficulty arises from the intervention of four feeble

unaccented syllables between the principal accent on believed and world, received and glory. To lessen the difficulty, a pause would be required after believed on, and after received up. On the contrary, the sentence would be pronounced with greater facility, and certainly with greater force, by admitting the elisions :-- 'believ'don in the world; receiv'd-up into glory.' And here a doubt naturally arises whether the objection, which has been urged by Mr. Addison and by most modern writers on elocution, against the clustering of consonants which is produced by suppressing the vowels, may not have been carried too far. The elision of the e in the verbal terminations edst, is indeed always harsh; and that in est is generally so; and therefore is seldom adopted. But the elision in the termination ed is, in many cases, not at all harsh. The consonants may indeed have a crowded appearance to the eye, but they do not sound unpleasantly to the ear: for instance, the contracted words simi'd, oppress'd, distress'd, may be thought to be barbarous in their look; but the actual sound of them rhymes with wind and Inde, lest and rest-sounds which are surely not unharmonious.—A similar remark may be extended to verbs in which I precedes the terminational ed, as assembl'd, settl'd, troubl'd, mingl'd, kindl'd, saddl'd, sprinkl'd, &c. the sounds of which, as they are usually pronounced in conversation, are not inferior in smoothness and ease of utterance to assemb-led, sett-led, troub-led, &c.

"The common opinion," says Mr. Smart, "that a syllable cannot be formed without the aid of a vowel, is erroneous, at least in regard to the English language. Why should not consonants be capable of forming syllables, since many of them are in so great a degree vocal?"

Besides, the sound of contracted words is frequently

softened by being placed before a word beginning with a vowel: thus, if there is any harshness in the sound of the word sinn'd, it is removed by the position of the word in the following example 'sinn'd against Heaven:' here the first word slides smoothly into the second, and is attended with as much harmony as when the vowel is not suppressed, and certainly with much more ease of utterance; —sinned against heaven.' A similar remark may be applied to the expression, 'afflicted and distressed in mind,' &c. The last letter of the contracted word pronounced distrest, flows very harmoniously into the following vowel, 'distrest in mind,' &c.; and the cacophony arising from the rapid recurrence of the syllable ed in 'afflicted and distressed,' would be avoided. From the preceding considerations the following inferences may perhaps be fairly deduced:

The propriety of sounding or of suppressing the e in the participial and verbal termination ed, will depend upon the position of the word. The suppression will be proper when it will promote ease of utterance by lessening the number of unaccented syllables, or prevent an unpleasant tautophony.

In the Lord's Prayer, though the word 'hallowed' may, with much harmony, be pronounced as a trisyllable, yet it appears almost necessary not to give it the same pronunciation at the end of the fourth commandment—'wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day and hallowed it.' If hallowed should here be pronounced as a trisyllable, an accent must be given to the word 'it;' because three unaccented syllables in succession cannot be uttered; and as this word is the last in the sentence, there will be great probability of its receiving more accent than it ought to have, and of becoming almost emphatic,—a distinction not required by the sense. Right

meaning, therefore, as well as ease of utterance, will be consulted by saying 'hàllow'd-it' rather than 'hâllowed it *.'

The suppression of the e in the following instances which occur in the Church-Service, would perhaps either promote ease of utterance, or prevent harshness of sound:

- 1.—declar'd unto mankind—
- Our fathers have declar'd unto us-
- -númber'd with thy saints-
- -sav'd from our ènemies-
- -- order'd by thy governance-
- -estáblish'd among us-
- -gather'd together in thy name-
- -scatter'd the proud-
- -promis'd to our forefathers.
- 2.—visited and redeem'd his people—
- -erred and are deceiv'd-
- -afflicted or distress'd.

In conclusion it must be mentioned, that some clergymen, and even some in the most dignified stations, never make any difference between the pronunciation in reading the language of Scripture and the Church-Service, and that which is adopted on all other occasions: conceiving that sufficient distinction is produced by a general solemnity of delivery.

In the words, aged, beloved, blessed, cursed, learned, winged, when used as ADJECTIVES, the final e is

[•] It is worthy of remark, that this word occurs eleven times in Milton's poems, and is always pronounced hallow'd. This however may be accounted for by the nature of the metre in all the instances in which the word is used-

seldom suppressed even in common conversation *; it is therefore not to be suppressed in reading the Scriptures or the Liturgy.

Adverbs formed by adding ly to participal adjectives ending in ed, very often retain the sound of e in those very words which suppressed it before the composition took place: thus, the e is sounded in assuredly, advisedly, unfeignedly, &c.

14. THE TERMINATION EL.

E before l, in a final unaccented syllable, must always be pronounced distinctly: thus, rebel, model, angel, gospel, apparel, lintel, gravel, bowel, &c.

The exceptions are shekel, weasel, ousel, nousel, navel, ravel, snivel, hazel, nozle, pronounced as if written shikle, weasle, &c.

15. THE TERMINATION ENt.

E before n, on the contrary, in a final unaccented syllable, and not preceded by a liquid, should always be suppressed: as harden, garden, burden, bounden, roughen,

[•] Except when compounded with another word; as 'A full-ag'd horse, a sheath-wing'd insect.'

[†] The remarks under Section, 15, 16, and 17, require the particular notice of those who are inclined to follow the spelling as their guide in pronunciation.

taken, shapen, sharpen, chosen, lighten, hasten *, chasten, fasten, listen, glisten, christen, moisten, often, soften, wheaten, heathen, strengthen, burthen, smitten, begotten, graven, heaven, leaven, given, brazen, flaxen, &c.; pronounced hardn, gardn, burdn, &c. hāsn, chāsn, &c.

The same elision takes place in compounds, as gardner, burdnsome, &c.

Even after a liquid, the e is sometimes suppressed: as in fallen, stolen, swollen; pronounced falln, stoln, swolln.

EXCEPTIONS.—Hyphen, jerken, hymen, aspen, paten, sloven; sudden, kitchen, chicken, pattens, mittens. In these words the e is sounded; in the five last, it has the sound of short i.

16. THE TERMINATIONS IL & IN.

" I before final l and n, must be carefully pronounced, the contrary utterance being gross and vulgar: pencil, vigil, pupil, griffin, urchin, resin, germin, Latin.

Only three exceptions are admitted; namely, evil, devil, and cousin, pronounced e-vl, dev-vl, cuz-zn."—SMART.

All the words ending in unaccented il and in, appear to be derived from the Latin, French, or Italian. It is probable that the persons who first introduced them into our language, introduced with them somewhat of the foreign mode of pronouncing these unaccented termina-

[•] hasten] In this word, and in the eight following, the t is silent.

tions; which would become current, because it did not interfere with the sound of any other unaccented terminations pre-existing in the English tongue. Hence it may be inferred that the terminations il and in, have always been sounded distinctly.

With regard to the exceptions, it is observable that devil and evil are of Anglo-Saxon origin. Of the former Johnson says, that, on account of its derivation, "it were more properly written divel." Evil also ends with el in the original. Therefore it is not improbable, that, as in numerous other words terminating in el, the e has always been suppressed, and these two words have ever been sounded dev-vl and e-vl.

Cousin is indeed a French word; but from our national love of punning, it is not unlikely that it has in English been commonly pronounced like the verb to cozen;—so, at least it was in Shakspeare's time: Hotspur exclaims,

"Why, what a deal of candied courtesy
This fawning greyhound then did proffer me!
Look—' When his infant fortune came to age'—
And 'Gentle Harry Percy,'—and 'kind cousin'—
The deviltake such COZENERS!"

17. THE TERMINATION ON.

The o is suppressed in the final unaccented syllable on, preceded by c, k, d, p, s, t, z; as in bacon, beacon, beckon, reckon; pardon; capon; prison, reason, season, treason, poison, crimson, person, lesson; cotton; blazon, &c. propounced bacn, beacn, &c.

Walker remarks that "this suppression of the o must not be ranked amongst those careless abbreviations found only among the vulgar, but must be considered as one of those devious tendencies to brevity, which has worn itself a currency in the language, and has at last become a part of it. To pronounce the o in those cases where it is suppressed, would give a singularity to the speaker bordering nearly on the pedantic; and the attention given to this singularity by the hearer, would necessarily diminish his attention to the subject, and consequently deprive the speaker of something much more desirable."

The exceptions, particularly observable in solemn speaking, are unison, diapason, horizon, weapon. When x or n preceds the t, the vowel is pronounced distinctly; as in wanton, sexton; and frequently so after l in the names, Stilton, Wilton, Melton, Milton. It is to be remembered, that in all these words the termination on is sounded un.

18. SUPPRESSING THE VOWEL-SOUND IN THE TER-MINATIONS tion and sion.

"There is a vicious manner of pronouncing these terminations by giving them a sharp hiss, which crushes the consonants together, and totally excludes the vowels, as if nation, occasion, &c. were written na-shn, occa-shn, &c. These terminations, which are very numerous in

the language, ought to be pronounced as distinctly as if written, nashun, occazhun." WALKER.

19. SUPPRESSING t WHEN IT OCCURS BETWEEN TWO s's.

This fault is frequently observable in pronouncing the following words in the Church-service: lost sheep, Christ's sake, hosts, requests, wastes; which are incorrectly sounded as if written loss sheep, Chriss sake, hoss, requess, wase. A similar suppression of t is sometimes heard in saying subsance, instead of substance.

20. SUPPRESSING H where it ought to be sounded; and inversely.

Hought always to be sounded at the beginning of words, except in the following and their compounds: heir, heiress, honest, honesty, honour, honourable, hour, herb, herbage, hospital, hostler, humble. In humour and its compounds, the first syllable is sounded as if written yew*.

[•] A similar pronunciation, though not admitted by Walker, is generally given where the sound of long or open u terminates the syllable in words derived from the French language: as in human, humane, humanity, humanize, humeral, humid, humidity, humectate. In the French, from which these

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[A custom appears to be gradually prevailing of sounding the h in some of the words in the above list; viz.—herb, herbage, hospital, hostler, and humble. Those who adopt this innovation, probably are not aware of the cause of the other mode of pronunciation. All the words beginning with a silent h, are derived from French words, in which that letter is not sounded. It is therefore probable, that the custom of omitting the h has continued ever since the first introduction of the words after the Norman conquest. This influence of derivation will explain why the h has hitherto been silent in herb and herbage (those words being borrowed from the French,) and why it has always been sounded in herbal, herbalist, herbarist, herbous, herbid, herbaceous, herbescent—words derived from the Latin.]

"They who are endeavouring to correct the habit of omitting the aspirate h, generally stop when they come to that letter, in order to draw in a large quantity of breath, which they expel with violence. An attention to correct speakers will amend both these faults."—SMART.

words are borrowed, the k is pronounced like y. But in the word has (has and cry) it is probable that the k has been generally sounded, because it is sounded in the French word. In words of Dutch or Saxon origin, as huge, here, hence, the k is pronounced distinctly.]

21. SUPPRESSING H BEFORE W; ALSO IN SHR; AND IN THE TERMINATION TH*.

The aspirate h is often suppressed, particularly in the pronunciation of the capital, where we do not find the least distinction between while and wile, whet and wet, &c. In the pronunciation of words beginning with wh, we ought to breathe forcibly before we pronounce the w, as if the words were written hoo-ile, hoo-et, &c.

The principal exceptions are who, whose, whom (pronounced hoo, hooze, hoom), whoever, whose, whosever, whomsoever; whole, wholly, wholesale; wholesome, wholesomeness; whoop—in all which the w is silent.

[The *H* is sometimes improperly omitted in pronouncing words beginning with *shr*; thus *shrill*, *shrink*, *shrunk*, &c. are occasionally sounded as if written *srill*, *srink*, *srunk*, &c.

The aspirate is likewise dropt by some speakers in the terminational th; they pronounce sixth, sixthly, &c. as if written sixt, sixtly, &c.]

[•] These two latter faults are common, though unnoticed by Walker.]

22. SOUNDING R too strongly or too feebly.

" R has two sounds in our language; one which may be called rough, and the other smooth.—The smooth r ought to be employed only at the end of words; as in bar, lore, bard, dirt, storm; and at the end of syllables. when r or a vowel does not immediately follow in the next syllable; as in bar-ter, inform-er, heart-en. other case the rough r (accompanied with a forcible propulsion of the breath and voice) is to be used; as in red, a-round, barrel, (r is followed by r in another syllable), peril (r is followed by a vowel in another syllable), tyrant, bring, proud, dethrone. In London, we are too liable to substitute the smooth r in the place of the rough; and even in its proper situation, we often pronounce the smooth r with so little exertion in the organs as to make it scarcely any thing more than the sound of a as heard in father. In Ireland, on the other hand, r, where it ought to be smooth, receives too strong a jar of the tongue, and is accompanied with too strong a breathing. We hear storm, farm, &c. pronounced something like staw'-rum, far-um *."

The following are common instances in which the r is by some speakers entirely suppressed: first is converted into fust, wherefore into whuffore, perhaps into pehaps, perform into peform.

Smart's 'Practical Grammar of English Pronunciation,' pp. 237, 238;
 where will he found some very useful directions respecting the method of curing a defective utterance of the r.

When a word ending with smooth r is followed by a word beginning with a vowel, (as bare elbow, nor all your arts,) r appears to be in the same situation as r in barrel and peril. In this case, Mr. Smart recommends the use of the rough r, but not with force. 'Practical Grammar,' p. 304.

23. SUPPRESSING THE SOUND OF THE FINAL CON-SONANTS.

"One great cause of indistinctness in reading, is sinking the sound of final consonants, when they are followed by words beginning with vowels, and of some when the next word begins with a consonant." WALKER.

The d in and is always to be sounded when a vowel begins the next word, and particularly when that word is the article an.

"When consonant-sounds of different formation immediately succeed each other, the organs must completely finish one, before they begin to form the next. If this rule is not attended to, the articulation will not be sufficiently strong. This active separation of the organs in order completely to finish the consonant, will, when it is a mute, make the ear sensible of a kind of rebounding. Suppose the following sentence were to be read—He received the whole of the rent before he parted with the

land: we shall immediately perceive the superior distinctness of pronouncing it with the t and d finished by a smart separation of the organs, and somewhat as if written, He receive-de the whole of the ren-te before he parted-de with the lan-de.—The judicious reader will observe that this rule must be followed with discretion, and that the final consonant must not be so pronounced as to form a distinct syllable; this would be to commit a greater error than that which it was intended to prevent: but as it may with confidence be asserted, that audibility depends chiefly on articulation, so it may be affirmed that articulation depends much on the distinctness with which we hear the final consonant; and trifling therefore as this observation may appear at first sight, when we consider the importance of audibility, we shall not think any thing that conduces to such an object, below our notice." WALKER.

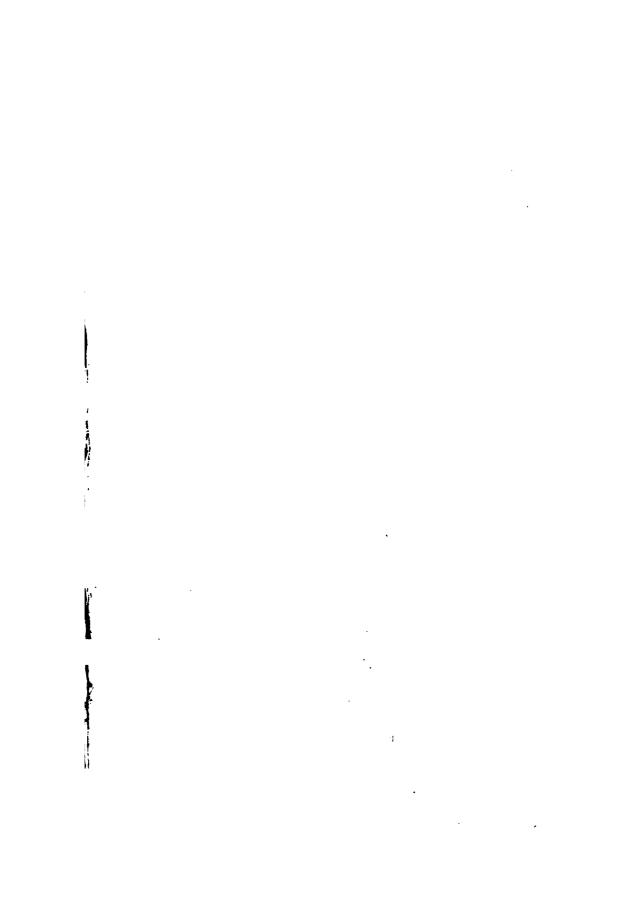
"In the pronunciation of a sentence, the breath and voice, between the pauses of sense, ought to be in continual flow, and the beginning sound of one word to follow the final sound of another without break or interruption." This is called by Mr. Smart, INTERJUNCTION. For example,

In the following sentences, the words connected by hyphens are to be interjoined in pronunciation:

- "Let-the-words-of-my-mouth, and-the-meditations-of-my-heart be-always-acceptable-unto-thee."
- "Rising-simultaneously at-the-irreverential-mentionof-their-leader's-name, they-swore-revenge."

"An-inalienable-eligibility-of-election, which-was-ofan-authority-that-could-not-be-disputed, rendered-the-interposition-of-his-friends altogether-supererogatory."

Consult Smart's Theory of Elocution, p. 46; likewise the valuable remarks in his "Practical Grammar of English Pronunciation." p. 297.



ALPHABETICAL LIST.

A List of Words, occurring in the Scriptures and the Liturgy, to be pronounced according to the authority of WALKER.

* The figures refer to the preceding sections.

A.

Abhor, (h to be sounded)
Above, abuv, not above
Absolve, (s like z)
Absolution, (s sharp)
Accep'-table
Ac-cess'
Accomplish, (o as in not)
Acknowledge, ak-nol'-ledge
Ad-ver-tise'
Again, a-gen'
Against, a-genst'

Aha! ah-hah'
Albeit, all-bé-it
Alienate, ale'-yen-ate 200
Almighty, all-migh'-ty
Almond, á-mund (a as in far)
Alms, amz (a as in far)
Aloes, al-oze
A'men', (a as in fate)
Among, amung' 3
Amongst, amungst 9
And, not end

Acceptable] Walker regretted, that, in his time, this word had shifted its accent from the second to the first syllable. It would have afforded him satisfaction to have known, that the principle which he recommended, has latterly so much prevailed, as to have nearly restored the original pronunciation. His general rule is, that when p or c occurs before t, in words of four syllables, or more than four, (as in perceptible, susceptible, corruptible, incorruptible, refractory, refectory, perfunctory, &c.) ease of utterance is much promoted by laying the accent on the syllable ending with the p or c.]

And] The faulty conversion of and into end, is sometimes heard among those who wish to avoid the opposite fault of making and emphatic.]

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Answer, änser
Ant, (a as in fat)
Any, en-ny
Apostle, apos'-sl (o as in not)
Apostolic, ap'-as-tol'-ie

Apron, a'-purn
Arch-angel, ark-angel
Are, ar (a as in far)
Authority, an-thor-ity
Awkward, awk-ward

Any] Refer to the remarks under the word 'many.' If there is reason for continuing to pronounce that word menny, enny will be admitted on the score of affinity.]

B.

Bade, bad 4 Besom, bé-zum Betroth', be-troth, (th as in Balm, bam (a as in far) Bap-tize', not bap'-tize thin) Bier, beer Bath, (a as in far) Bosom, booz-um Because, (s as x) Bé-he-moth Both, not bo-ath Behove, behoove Break, brake Be-lieve, not blieve Brethren, not bruthren, nor breth'-e-ren Beneath, be-nethe (th as in Burial, ber-re-al this)

C.

Commandment, (a as in far) Calf, caf (a as in far) Calm, cam, (a as in far) Concu'-piscence Castle, cassle, (a as in cat)? Condemn, (silent) Catch, not ketch Conduit, kun-dit 9 Catholic, (a as in cat) Conquer, kong-kur Censure, censkure 6 (4) Conqueror, kong-kur-ur Chamber, chame-bur Con'-trite Chamberlain, chame-bur-lin Cor-rup'-tible Covert, kuv-vurt * Charity, (a as in chat) Covetous, kuv-e-tus Chasten, chase-sn Chăstity 2 Could (l silent) Chastisement, chăs'-tiz-ment Couldest, (l and e silent) Children, not childern Coulter, koletur Christianity, Chris tshe-án-ity6 Crocodile, crocodil Command, (a as in far) Cruse, kroos

Corruptible] See note on 'acceptable.'

D.

Deacon, de-kn¹⁷
Defend', not défend
De-liv'-er, not dé-liv-er
Demand, (a as in far) ⁷
Demon, demun ¹⁷
Decease, s not z
Design, de-sine (not z)
Desist, de-sist (not z)
De-spite'

Deuteron'omy
Devil, dev'l 16
Devilish, dev-vl-ish 16
Diamond, di-a-mund 17
Discern, diz-zern'
Dissemble, not dizzemble
Draught, drăft
Drought, drout, not drouth
Dromedary, drum'-e-dary 9

E.

Ear, not year
Ecclesiastic,ec-clé-zhe-as-tie⁶
Either, e-ther
Engine, en-jin
Epistle, e-pis-sl

Ere, air Errand, not arrand Evil, e-vl 16 Ewe, yu Ever-las-ting

Either] The general sound of ei in English words is a or e, there being only two words, height and sleight, in which it has the sound of i. To give it this sound in either and neither is a modern fashion, contrary to the strongest analogies, and discountenanced by most orthoepists and many public speakers, who agree in preferring ether and nether.]

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Everlasting In this word, the primary accent may be transferred to the first syllable of 'ever,' if the sentiment should require it. Grant's Gram. p. 167.

F.

Father (a as in far)
Fellow, fel-lo (o as in no)
Flay, not flee
Follow, fol-lo (o as in no)
Folk, foke
Foré-fathers

Forge
Forget, not forgit 9
Forthwith (th as in thin)
Frailty, frale-ty
Front, frunt 9
Furnace, furnis

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Foré-fathers] Fore-fa'-thers, according to Walker.

G.

God, (o as in not) Gold, (o as in no) Gourd, goarde Great, grate Greaves, grēves Gross, (o as in no)

God] The short o and the d must be distinctly sounded, so that the word may never be corrupted into Gad, Gaud, Gode, or Got.]

Great] Custom is so decided in pronouncing ea in this word like ea in pear and bear, that to sound it otherwise, is generally considered affectation.

H.

Hale, haul
Hallelujah, hallelúyah
Hallow, (a as in fat)
Half, haf (a as in far)
Have, hav
Heard, herd (e as in met)
Hearth, harth
Height, hite, not highth
Heresy, not her-e-zy
Herewith, (th as in thin)

Heretofore, here-too-fore
Hinder, adj.
Hindermost
Höm-age
Humble (h silent) 20
Hundred, not hunderd
Hymn, him
Hypocrisy, (s not 2)
Hypocrite, hyp-o-crit
Hysop, hiz-zup

haul] Walker considers this pronunciation gross and vulgar. That the word has hitherto been generally so pronounced, is probable, from its being derived from the French verb haler, in which the a has the sound of au; and being introduced at a very early period, the foreign sound would be retained, without any reference to the spelling. The common pronunciation of the word is preferable likewise for the sake of distinguishing it from 'to hail, to salute.']

I.

Idol, idŭl, not idle Infinite, in-fe-nit Inspiration, insperation Instead, instěď, not instiď Iron, i-urn Issue, ish-shu ^{6 (a)}

inspe-ration] When i ends a syllable after the accent, it is always sounded like e; thus admi-ration, combi-nation, compi-lation, &c. are pronounced as if written adme-ration, com'be-nation, com'pe-lation, &c.

J.

Jealousy, (s not z)

Justice, not jestice

K.

Knowledge, nŏl-ledge 1

L.

Leasing, leazing
Lep'er
Leprosy, (s not z)
Libertines, Lib'-er-tins

Linen, lin-nin
Lord, (o as in nor)
Luxury, luk'-shury 6
Luxurious, lug-zu-rious 6(9)

Lord] Care must be taken to sound the o and r distinctly and fully in this word, to prevent it from being changed into such sounds as the following, which are occasionally heard: Lard, Lurd, Lod, Lode, Lorud, Lud, Laud]

M.

Many, menny
Manifold, man'-e-fold
Master, (a as in far)⁷
Marry, (a as in mat)
Mediator, me-de-á-tur ^{S(a)}

Medicine, med-e-sin Merchant, not marchant Mine, not min Miracle, (i as in pin) Mountain, moun-tin

Many] General custom favours this pronunciation, which has probably always been the sound of the word, derived from the Saxon word mornig. Amongst old writers it was often written menie or meyny.]

Manifold] Etymology would require this word to be pronounced mensyfold, but custom decides otherwise. A similar deviation prevails in the preposition to-wards, in which o has its regular sound, though the primitive word to is sounded like the adverb too.]

N.

Nature, na-tshure ⁶
Natural, nat'-tshu-ral ²
National, nash-un-al ²
Neither, ne-ther

Nephew, neuvu None, nün Nō-table

Neither] See remarks under the word 'either.'

0.

Oaths, ōthz (th as in this)
Obeisance, obá-sance
Oblige, o-blidge
Often, of-fn

One, wun ⁵
Once, wunse ⁵
Only, ownly, not önly
Or-di-na-ry or ord-na-ry

P.

Paradise, (a as in mat) Pardon, par-dn 17 Pardonable, par-dn-a-bl 17 Pardoning, par-dn-ing Pa'-rent, not par-ent Parliament, par-le-ment Path (a as in far; th as in thin) Paths, paths (th as in this) Pa-tri-arch 2 (b) Perform (o as in not) Peril, pěr'-il, not pur-il Perhaps, (h to be sounded) Person, per-sn 17 Persuasion, per-sua-zhun 6(4) Persuasive, (s sharp *) Pitied, pit-id Pour, pore Pomegranate, pum-gran-nat Po'-ten-tate Prē-cept

Pre-side, (s not z) President, prez-ze-dent 2 Prison, priz-2n 17 Prisoner, priz-zn-ur 17 Process, pros'-ess Prophecy, s. prof'-fe-se Prophesy, v. prof fe-si Propitiation, pro-pisk-e-áshun 6 (4) Proving, prooving Psalm, sam (a as in far) Psalmist, sal-mist, (a as in far) Psalmody, sal-mo-de (a as in far) Pun-ish, not poo-nisk Punishment, not poo-nishment Pursue, pur-sú, 6 (1) Push, poosh Put, (u as in bull)

[•] S in the adjective termination sive, is always sharp and hissing.

Q.

Quality, (a like o in not) Quantity, (a like o in not) Qualify, (ditto)

R.

Raisin, ra-zn (Walker, re-zn)
Rather (a as in fat) not
ruther
Ravening, răv-vn-ing

Reason, re-zn, not re-sun ¹⁷ Reasonable, re-zn-a-bl ¹⁷ Revolt, (o as in bolt) Rule, rool, not re-ule ⁹

S.

Sàbbath-day, (only one ac-Seethe, (th as in this) cent) Selves, not sulves Săc-ra-ment 2 Sepulchre, sep'-ul-kur, (u as Săc-ra-ment-al 8 in tub) Sacrifice, s. săk-kre-fize Sew, sow Shall, neither shull nor shawl Says, sez Scarceness, (a as in fate) Shalt, not shult Shew, show Schism, sĭzm Scourge, skurje (u as in tub) Shone, shon 4 Should, (l silent) Season, se-zn 17 Second, sek-kund, not sek-knd Shouldest, (l and e silent)

Sàbbath-day] When two substantives are compounded, one accent is commonly used instead of two. "Thus, we should say, the war minister, if there were no other ministers of state beside that one; but as there are others, we say the war-minister, with a reference to the others." SMART. On the same principle, only one accent is given to Sàbbath-day, man-servant, màid-servant, judgment-seat, &c.

Sacrifice] To pronounce the substantive, as some speakers do, rhyming with vice (in order to distinguish it from the verb,) is to adopt a pronunciation in direct defiance of analogy. The syllable ice, unaccented at the end of a word, is always sounded iss with the sharp; as in prejudice, office, chalice, pumics, Venice, licorice, notice; service, &c. Cockatrice is scarcely an exception.]

Söd-er
Soften, sof-fn
Sojourn, só-jurn (u as in tub)
Sojourner, só-jurn-ur
Solace, söl-las
Sov'ereign, suv'-ur-in
Spirit, not sper-it, nor spur-it
Staves, pl. of staff, rhymes
with calves

Starry, (a as in far)
Subject', verb
Subjec'-ted, part. adj.
Subtilty, sut-tl-ty
Such, not setch?
Suit, not shute 6 %
Sworn, (o as in no; w sounded)
Synagogue, sin-a-gög

Staves] This pronunciation, which analogy justifies, is adopted by some who are generally considered very correct speakers. Walker makes it rhyme with cases.]

T.

Täb-ret
Talk, tank
Terrible, not turrible
Testimony, testimun-y
Thanks, not thenks,
Thanks'-giving (accent
the first)
Than, not then 9

Thraldom, thrawl-dum 11 (c)
Toward, adv. tó-urd
Towards, tó-urdz
Treason, tre-zn 11
Treasonable, tre-xn-a-bl 12
Tröth
Truths, (th as in thin)
True, troo, not tre-ew 9

U.

on

Underneath, undernethe, (th as in this)

V.

Venison, ven-zn Věr-y, not vŭr-ry Victuals, vittlz Virtue, vir-tshu ⁶ Virtuous, vir-tshu-us ⁶ Volume, vol-yume

Venison] Walker advises that this word should be a trisyllable in reading the language of Scripture; but general custom is against him. If his suggestion were adopted, a similar principle ought to be extended to victuals, and business.]

W.

Walk, wauk Wī-li-ness Wast, wöst With, (th as in this) Weapon, wep-pun 17 Womb, woom Women, wim-min Were, ner, not ware Whereof, hware of (o as in Wonder, wunder 5 Wont, woant, or wunt; not not) Wherefore, hwaré-fore want Whereunto, hware-un-toó Worship, wurship 5 Who, hoo 21 Would, wood Whom, hoom 21 Wouldest, (l and e silent) Whose, hooze, 21 Whole, hole 21 Wound, woond Wrap, not wrop Wholly, hole-e 21 Wrath, ranth Wicked, wik-id Wrestle (t silent) Wickedness, wik-id-ness Wroth, roth, (o as in not)

Weapon] Wep-pn, according to Walker. Wrath] Roth (o as in not) according to Walker.

Y.

Yellow, yel-lo
Your's, (s as z)
Yonder, not yander, yender,
Youths, (th as in thin)
nor yunder

 \mathbf{z}

Zealot, zěl-ut

Zealous, zěl-us

PRONUNCIATION

OF

SCRIPTURE PROPER NAMES.

A DIVERSITY in the pronunciation of Scripture Names is, from various causes, becoming more and more prevalent—much to the annoyance of learned as well as unlearned ears. The chief cause of this evil may be ascribed to there being two guides on the subject, who differ widely in their principles. Dr. Oliver in his 'Scripture Lexicon' follows the authority of the Septuagint * at all hazards, and in consequence adopts some very extraordinary changes in names most familiar to the public ear.

For example; he lengthens the sound of the final vowel in the following instances:—Hó-rēb, Dan-i-ēl, E-zēk-i-ēl, Shēm, Lēt, Jó-sēph, Est-hēr, Já-cēb, Hé-rēd (both vowels long), Si-mēn, Ash-ūr, &c.: he shortens the sound of the first vowel in Ed-en, En-och, Heb-

• "The true pronunciation of the Hebrew language, as Doctor Lowth observes, is lost. To refer us for assistance to the Masoretic points, would be to launch us on a sea without shore or bottom: the only compass by which we can steer on this boundless ocean, is the Septuagint version of the Hebrew Bible; and as it is highly probable the translators transfused the sound of the Hebrew Proper Names into the Greek, it gives us something like a clue to guide us out of this labyrinth."—WALKER.

rews, Ner.o, Bel-i-al, &c.; and he changes the usual place of the accent in Gol'-i-ah, Pot-iph'-ar, Je-rob'-o-am, Tó-bi as, Deb-6-rah, Sad-dú-cees, Em-man-ú-ēl, Sam-ú-ēl, Ra-phá-ēl, Cher-ú-bims, Ca-í-a-phas, I-sa-i-ah, A-cha-í-a, &c. Mr. Walker, on the contrary, in his "Key to the Pronunciation of Scripture Proper Names," admits the Septuagint as his general guide, but makes a compromise in certain cases where common usage has positively decided in opposition to the general rule. That the public opinion inclines in favour of the latter work, may be reasonably inferred from its having attained the eighth edition. With the hope of producing more uniformity in the pronunciation of the Clergy, the student is presented, first, with an Abridgment of the most important of Walker's Rules; and, secondly, with a Selection of such Proper Names, occurring in the Lessons on Sundays and Holy days, as are most subject to diversity of pronunciation, either from mistake, or from adopting the authority of one or the other of the above-mentioned writers.

RULES

FOR

PRONOUNCING SCRIPTURE PROPER NAMES,

Selected and abridged from Walker's "Key, &c."

In the pronunciation of the *letters* of the Hebrew Proper Names, nearly the same rules prevail as in pronouncing those of Greek and Latin.

- 1. Where the vowels end a syllable with the accent on it, they have their long open sound: thus, Ná-bal, [E-den], Sí-rach, Gó-shen, and Tú-bal, have the accented vowels sounded exactly as in the English words páper, métre, spíder, nóble, tútor.
- 2. When a consonant ends the syllable, the preceding vowel is short, as Sam'-u-el, Lem'-u-el, Sim'-e on, Sol-o-mon, Suc'-coth, Syn'-a-gogue.
- 3. Every final i forming a distinct syllable, though unaccented, has the long open sound, as A'-i, [Shim'-e-i.]
- 4. Every unaccented *i*, ending a syllable not final, is pronounced like *e*, as *A'-ri-el*, *Ab'-di-el*; pronounced *A'-re-el*, *Ab'-de-el*.

5. The vowels ai are sometimes pronounced in one syllable, and sometimes in two. As the Septuagint version is our chief guide in the pronunciation of Hebrew proper names, it may be observed, that when these letters are pronounced as a diphthong in one syllable, like our English diphthong in the word daily, they are either a diphthong in the Greek word, or expressed by the Greek ε or ì, as Ben-ai-ah, Bavaía; Hu'-shai, Χουσὶ; Hu'-rai, Οὐρὶ, &c.; and that when they are pronounced in two syllables, as Sham'-ma-i, Shash'-a-i, Ber-a-i-ah, it is because the Greek words by which they are translated, as Σαμαὶ, Σεσεὶ, Βαραία, make two syllables of these vówels.

Isaiah and Caiaphas, Græcised by Ἡσαΐας and Καϊάφας, are exceptions.

When ai is final in a word, it is sounded exactly like the English ay without the accent, as in holiday, roundelay, galloway; but when it is in the middle of a word and followed by a vowel, the i is pronounced as if it were y, and as if this y articulated the succeeding vowel: thus Ben-ai-ah is pronounced as if written Ben-ai-yah.

6. Ch is pronounced like k; as Chebar, Chemosh,

• Modern fashion gives to the diphthong ai, in Greek, Latin, and Hebrew proper names, a broad sound, like that heard in the affirmation ay. Those who adopt this pronunciation in Isaiah and Esaias, and who are likewise advocates for adhering to the guidance of the Septuagint, seem to overlook the fact, that the letters ai are separated in the Greek name; and that, therefore, it should be pronounced as if written I-za'-e-ah and E-za'-e-as. This would very nearly accord with the sound which Walker assigns to it. But the more rigid followers of the Greek are required, in obedience to the accontuation, to agree with Dr. Oliver in converting the name into I-sa-i'-ah and E-sa-i'-as. Similar remarks are applicable to the manner of pronouncing Caiaphas.]

Enoch, &c. pronounced Kebar, Kemosh, Enok. Cherubim and Rachel seem to be perfectly anglicised, as the ch in these words is always heard as in the English words, cheer, child, riches, &c.

- 7. Almost the only difference in the pronunciation of the Hebrew, and of the Greek and Latin Proper Names is, that
- G is hard before e and i in Hebrew Proper Names: as Gé-ra, Ger'-i-zim, Gid'-e-on, Gil'-gal, Me-gid'-do, &c.
- (a) Some names, however, by passing through the Greek of the New Testament, have acquired the softened sound of j: such as Gen-nes'-aret, Beth'-pha-ge, &c. pronounced Jen-nes'-aret, Beth'-pha-je, &c.
- 8. * C is soft before e and i, according to the English analogy in pronouncing Greek and Latin names: thus Cé-dron, A-cel'-da-ma, + [Cin'-ne-roth, Cit'-tim,] &c. are sounded as if written Sé-dron, A-sel'-da-ma, [Sin'-ne-roth, Sittim,] &c.
- 9. The unaccented termination ah ought to be pronounced like the a in father. The a in this termination, however, frequently falls into the indistinct sound in the final a in Africa, Etna, &c. nor can we easily perceive any distinction in this respect between Elijah and Elisha. But if the accent be on the ah, then the a ought to be pronounced like the a in father; as Tah-e-ra, Tah-penes, &c.

^{*} This Rule is combined with Rule 7 in Walker's 'Key.'

[†] Among the examples, Walker gives Cedrom, Cisai, and Cittern. The first and last of these words do not occur in Scripture; nor is Cisai found in the English version, Kish being substituted for it in Esther, ii. 5.]

RULES FOR ASCERTAINING THE ENGLISH QUANTITY OF THE VOWELS IN HEBREW PROPER NAMES.

- 11. * The Rule which prevails in our pronunciation of Greek and Latin dissyllables having but one consonant in the middle, is adopted in Hebrew Proper Names: viz. the first vowel is accented, and receives the long open sound †: thus Kórah, and not Kor'ah; Móloch, and not Moloch; [Enoch, and not En'och; E'den, and not Eden;] without any regard to the short vowel in the Greek words of the Septuagint, Moλòx, Κορὲ, Ενὼχ, Εδέμ.
- 12. The shortening power of the antepenultimate accent and of the secondary accent, which prevails in our pronunciation of Greek and Latin, as well as of our own language (see p. 216), is likewise extended to Hebrew Proper Names, and is subject to similar exceptions: thus Je-hosh-a-phat is pronounced as if written Je-hös-a-phat, though the name has a long vowel in the Greek Ἰωσαφάτ.

The secondary accent has the same shortening power

- Walker's Rule 10 has already been inserted as Exception (a) to Rule 7.
- † The Rule will be more comprehensive and equally just when expressed in the following form: The penultimate accent lengthens the vowel which has but one consonant, or two, proper to begin a syllable, between it and the next vowel: thus Kô-rah, Mô-loch, Shâ-drach, A'-bram, Hê-bron, Cê-dron, Mê-shach, Gô-shen, Adonizê-dek, Eliê-zer, Shalmanê-zer, &c. In all these instances, Dr. Oliver adopts the shortened sound of the vowel under the penultimate accent, on the authority of the Septuagint.]

in Othonias, where the primary accent is on the third, and the secondary on the first syllable, as if spelt Oth-o-ni-as.

RULES FOR THE ACCENTUATION OF HEBREW PROPER NAMES.

13. In the accentuation of Hebrew Names, the Greek of the Septuagint is considered by Walker as in general the best guide; but in some cases he says, "the best we can do is to make a compromise between this ancient language (the Hebrew) and our own; to form a kind of compound ratio of Hebrew, Greek, Latin, and English, and to let each of these prevail as usage has permitted them." For the instances which he reduces to specific rules, the reader is referred to the work itself.

EXPLANATION

OF THE

MARKS AND FIGURES OF REFERENCE IN THE FOLLOWING 'SELECTION.'

The words marked with a \dagger are those in the pronunciation of which Mr. Walker differs from Dr. Oliver. The precise nature of the difference is distinguished thus: the long or short mark expresses Walker's manner; the reverse of which must be understood to be Oliver's. For instance: in the word $E'-d\check{o}m$, the first vowel is sounded long, and the second short, according to Walker; exactly the reverse is Oliver's pronunciation, as if the word were spelt $E^{\circ}d-\check{o}me$.

- A name printed in Italics represents the right pronunciation of the name immediately preceding: thus A-sel'-da-ma represents the sound of the preceding word 'A-cel'-da-ma.' Sometimes an incorrect pronunciation is specified: thus 'A'-bra-ham,' not Ah-bra-ham.
- * The figures annexed to some names refer to the preceding 'Rules for the pronunciation of Scripture Names.' Thus, in 'A'-a-ron 1, 2,' the figures refer to Rules 1 & 2: to Rule 1, for the sound of the accented a; and to Rule 2, for the sound of the o.

[The names within brackets are not in Walker's 'Key.']

A SELECTION,

FROM THE

LESSONS ON SUNDAYS AND HOLYDAYS,

OF SUCH

PROPER NAMES

AS ARE MOST LIABLE TO BE VARIOUSLY PRONOUNCED.

Α.

A'-a-ron] Walker remarks, that the general pronunciation of this word in English is in two syllables, as if written A'-ron. The sound will perhaps be better represented by spelling it Air'-on.]

A-si-a] Walker recommends A-zhe-a, in compliance with the principle stated in Section 6 (e) p. 219; but general usage is against him.]

₿.

Ba'-al	Ba'-rak 11	Ber-ni'-ce
Ba'-al Pe'-or	Bar-ti-me'-us	Ber-ni'-se 8
+ Ba'-al Ze'-phon	11 Bar-zil'-la-i	Beth-ab'-a-rah
Ba'-al-im	Ba'-shan 11	+ Bĕth-a'-ven
$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{a}'$ - \mathbf{a} - $\mathbf{s}\mathbf{h}\mathbf{a}$	Bath'-she-ba 9	+ Beth-o'-ron
Ba-go'-as	Be'-dan 11	Beth'-pha-ge
Ba-hu'-rim 13	Beer'-she-ba	Beth'-fa-je 7 (a)
Ba'-lak 11	Be-el'-ze-bub	† Běth-sai'-da
Ba'-la-am	Be-e'-roth 13	Běth-sa'-da 5
Ba'-lam	† Bē'-li-al 12	Be-thu'-el 13
Ba'-mah	Be-no'-ni	+ Bē'-zer 11
Ba-rab'-bas	Be-re'-a 9	Bo'-oz

C.

+ Cæs-a-re'-a	Sen'-kre-a	Ci-lic'-i-a
† Cai-a-phas	Ce'-phas 8	Se-lish'-e-a
Ca'-ya-phas 5	Se'-phas	* [Cis 8]
Ca'-na-an	Chal-dees' ⁶	Cle'-o-phas
Ca'-na-an-ites	Chal-de'ans 6	Cni'-dus
* Can'-nan-stes	Char'-ran ⁶	Ni'-dus
+ Can'-da-ce	Che-na-a'-nah 6	Co-los'-se
Can'-da-se 8	† Chē'-rith 6	Co-lŏs-si-ans
† Ca-per -na-um	Che'-sed 6	Co-lŏsh'-e-ans
† Cē-drŏn	Chim'-ham 6	Cor'-inth
Se-dron	Cho-ra'-zin 6	Crete', monosyl.
Cen'-chre-a 8,9	Chú-za ⁶	Cy-re'ne

Ca'-na-an-ites] This word very frequently retains the sound of its primitive Ca'-na-an.]

Cis] Some are inclined to let this word, which occurs but once in the New Testament, form an exception to the general Rule (8) and have the c sounded like k, in order that it may more nearly correspond with Kish, the name of the same person in the Old Testament. Cis is not inserted either by Walker or Oliver.

Ð.

+ Da'-gŏn
Dal-ma-nu'-tha
Dam'-a-ris
Dam-a-scenes'
[Dam-a-senes']
+ Dan'-i-ĕl
Dan-yĕl

Dan-ja'-an
Da'-than
De'-bir
+ Deb'-ŏ-rah
De-cap'-o-lis
De-me'-tri-us 12

Der'-be
Di-a'-na
Di-o-nys'-i-us 12
Di-o-nish'-e-us
Di-ot'-re-phes
Do-sith'-e-us

E.

† E'-den 11
† E'-dom 11
† E'-dom-ites
Eg'-lon
Ek'-ron
E'-lah
E'-lam-ites

+ E-ber 11

El-i-se'-us '
† E-lish'-a-ma
El'-ka nah
El-mo'-dam
El'-na-than
Em'-ma-us
E'-ne-as, ActaixEn'-ge-di
Ep'-a-phras
E-paph-ro-di'-tus
E'phes-dam'-mim
Eph'-pha-tha
† E'-phra-im
† E'-phra-im-ites

Ep-i-cu-re'-ans † E-sai'-as E-za'-yas ⁵ Es-senes' † Es-thër Es'-ter E-thi-o'-pi-a ¹² Eu-bu'-lus Eu-ni'-ce Eu-ni'-ce Eu-pra'-tes Eu-pro'-ly-don Eu'-ty-chus † E-zē'-ki-el

G.

Gab'-ba-tha Ga'-bri-el Gad'-a-ra Gad-a-renes' + Gai'-us Ga'-yus * Ga-la-ti-a Ga-la'-she-a Gal-i-le'-ans Ga-ma'-li-el ¹² Ge'-ba † Ge'-bal † Ge-hā'-zi † Gen-nes'-a-ret Jen-nes'-a-ret † Ger'-ĭ-zim Ger-ge-senes' † Geth-sĕm'-a-ne 12

Gib'-e-a 7	Git'-tite	Gol'-go-tha
Gi'-hon.7	Gni'-dus	+ Go-lī'-ah
*† Gil'-bŏ-a	Ni-dus	Go-mor'-rah
Gir'-ga-shites	Go'-lan '	Gud'-go-dah

H.

I.

† I-cō'-ni-um 12	I'-zak	† Is'-ra-ĕl, [not
Id-u-mé-a 1	† I-sai'-ah	Iz'- rul
Id-u-me'-ans 13	I-za'-yah	It'-ta-i
Ig-da-li'-ah	Ish'-bi Be'-nob	It-u-re'-a 12
I'-sa-ac	Ish'-bo-sheth	I'-vah

J.

Ja-ar-e-or'-a-gim Ja-az-a-ni'-ah	¹³ * Ja'-i-rus Ja'-e-rus	† Ja-phī'-ah Ja'-sher ¹¹
+ Jā'-besh	James, [not	Jeb'-u-sites 12
Ja'-bin 11	Jeems]	Jec-o-ni'-ah
Jad-du'-a 13	Ja'-phet 11	Jed-i-di'-ah

^{*} Ja'-i-rus] The authority of the Greek is commonly admitted to lengthen the penultimate of this word, and likewise of Gil-bo'-a.]

Je-ho'-a-haz 13	† Jer-o-bô'-am	† Jŏch'-e-bed 12
Je-ho'-ash 13	Je-rub'-ba-al ¹³	+ Jo-hā'-nan
Je-hoi'-a-chin 13	† Jesh'-ŭ-run	† Jo'-sĕph
Je-hoi'-a-kim 13	Jez'-re-el	Jo'-zef
† Je-hŏn'-a-dab 12	Jez'-re-el-ite	Jo'-ses
Je-ho'-ram 13	Job	
+ Je-hosh'-a-phat 12	Jobe	

K.

† Ka'-desh Bar- nĕ-a ¹¹ † Ke'-desh ¹¹ † Kem-ú-ĕl ¹³	†Ker-en-hap'-pǔch Ke-zi'-a Kib'-roth Hat-ta'-a vah	Kir'-jath Hu'-zoth
Ken'-ites		,

L.

La'ban 11 La'-chish 11	La-se'-a Leb'-a-non	Li'-nus Lo'-is
La-od-i-ce'-a	Leb-be'-us	† Lyc-a-ō'-ni-a 15
La-od-i-se'-ah 8 + Lap'-ĭ-doth	† Lem'-u-ël Le-vi'-a-than	Ly-sa'-ni-as 12

M.

Ma'-a-cah	Mat-ta-thi'-as	Me'-roz
† Mac-e-dō'-ni-a 12	Mat-thi'-as	Me'-shech
Mas-e-do'-ni-a	[Math-i'-as]	Me'-shek
Mach-pe'-lah 13	Me-gid'-do	Mes-o-po-ta'-mi-a 12
Mag-da-le'-ne	Me-hol'-ath-ite	Mes-si'-ah
+ Ma-ha'-le-ĕl	Mel-chis'-e-dek	Me-thu'-se-lah
Ma-ha-na'-im	Me-le'-a	Mi'-cha-el
Mak-ke'-dah ¹³	Mel'-i-ta 13	Mi-cai'-ah 5
† Man'-a-ĕn	Me-phib'-o-sheth 13	Mi-ka'-yah
† Ma-nas'-sĕh	† Me'-sech 11	Mi-le'-tus
† Mar'-a-nath'-a	Mesek	† Mish -a-el

[Mis'-a-el]	Mor'-de-cai 5	Moʻ-zĕz
Mnason	Mo-ri'-ah 13	Mys-i-a
Nason	* [Mo'-ri-ans]	Mish'-e-a
+ Mō'-loch 11	Mo-se'-rah 13	Mit'-y-le'-ne
Mo'-lok	+ Mo'-sĕs	

• Mo'-ri-ans] This word is not inserted either in Walker's 'Key,' or in Oliver's 'Lexicon.' It is synonymous with 'Ethiopians' (Psalm lxviii. 32, Bible translation) It must therefore be incorrect to accent the second syllable, as if the word were derived from Mo-ri-ah.]

N.

Na'-a-man	Naz-a-renes'	† Ni-ca'-nŏr
Na-ash'-on	Ne-ap'-o-lis	Nic'-o-de'-mus 12
† Na'-bŏth		Ni'-ger
Na'-o-mi 13	zar ⁶	Ni'-jer 7 (a)
Na'-than	† Neb-u-chod-on'-	Nin'-e-veh
† Na-than'-a-ĕl	ŏ-sor 12	Ni'-san 11
† Na'-ŭm	† Nē'-ro ¹¹	† Nŭn

0.

Ob-a-di'-ah	On-e-siph'-o-rus	O'-phir
† O-nes'-i-mus 12	Oph'-rah	† O'-rĕb 11

P.

Pa'-phos	Per'-ga-mos	Phe-ni'-se
Par'-me-nas	Per'-si-a	'Phe-nic'-i-a 8
† Păt'-a-ra 12	Per-she-a	Phe-nish'-e-a
+ Path'-ros	$+$ Pe $^{\prime}$ -thor 11	† Phĭl-a-del'-phi-a ^g
Pat'-ro-bas	Pha-nu'-el 13	Phi-le'-mon
+ Pe-ni'-ĕl	+ Pha'-ra-oh	Phi-le'-tus
Pen'-te-cost 13	Fa'-ro	Phi-lip'-pi ³
Pen'-te-coast	Phe-ni'-ce 8	r r

Phi-lis'-tia	Pi'-ram 11	Por-she-us
* Phi-lis'-tines	Pis'-gah	+ Pot'-Y-phar
Fe-lis'-tins	† Pī'-sŏn	Pris-cil'-la ⁸
Phi-lol'-o-gus	Pon-ti-us	Proch'-o-rus
+ Phlē'-gon 11	Pont-yus	Ptol-e-ma'-is
Phin'-e-has	Por'-ci-us	Pu-te'-o-li
Pi-ha-hi'-roth		

Philis'tines] Milton uses this word eleven times in his poems, and always accents the first syllable.]

R.

Rab'-sa-ris 13	4 Do ===="	Rem-a-li'-ah
	† Ra-mē'-ses	
Rab'-sha-keh 13	+ Ra'-mŏth	+ Reph'-i-dim
Ra'-ca 11	† Ra'-phă-ĕl	Rhe'-gi-um
Ra'-chĕl	Re-bek'-ah	Re'-je-um
Ra'-tshel	Re'-chab	† Ro-ge'-lim 7
Ra'-ma	Re'-chab-ites	*Rome (not Room)

Rome] Custom seems now decidedly to incline in favour of the former sound. This effect may be ascribed to the increased diffusion of the French and Italian languages amongst us. Shakspeare pronounced the word either way, according as it produced a pun. Thus in Hen. VI. Act iii. Scene 1. Winchester says, "Rome shall remedy this;" Warwick replies, "Roam thither then."—Again in Jul. Cæs. Act iii. Scene 4:

S.

Sa-bach-tha'-ni *+ Sab'-a-ŏth Sa-la'-thi-el

[&]quot; Here is a mourning Rome (Room), a dangerous Rome, No Rome of safety for Octavius yet."]

^{*} Sabaoth] As custom varies in the pronunciation of this purely Hebrew word, the authority of the Masoretic punctuation induces some to pronounce it Sa-bá-oth; by which mode it is prevented from being confounded with Sabbath.]

† Sa'-lĕm	† Shal-ma-në'-ser	† Sī'-nai
[Sal-ma'-na]	+ Shā'-phan 11	Si'-nay 11,5
† Sal-mon	Sha'-phat	Sis'-e-ra
Sal-mo'-ne	Sha-re'-zer	Smyr'-na
Sa-lo'-me	† Sha'-rŏn	Smŭr'-nah
Sa-ma'-ri-a, or	She'-chem 11	Sod'-om
Sa-ma-ri'-a 13	Shech'-i-nah	† Sŏp'-a-ter
Sa-mar'-i-tans	Shek'-e-nah	† Sős'-tra-tus 12
Sa'-rai 5	† Shĕm	† Sŏs'-the-nes 12
Sa-rep'-ta	Shi'-loh	So-sip'-a-ter
* Sa'-tan 11	Shim'-e-ah	Sta'-chys
† Scē'va	Shim'-e-i	Sta'-kees
Se'-va	+ Shī-nar	Steph'-a-nas
Sche'-chem	Sho'-choh	Sy'-char 11
Ske'-kem	Shu'-al	Syn'-ti-che
Se'-lah	Shu'-nam-ite	Syr'-a-cuse 12
Sem'-e-i	Sib'-ba-chai 5	Sğr'-i-a ∫not
* Sen-na-che'-rib 13		Sŭr-i-a]
Seph-ar-va'-im	* Sil'-o-am	Sy-ro-phe-nic'-ian
Sha-a-ra'-im	Sil-va'-nus	Sy-ro-phe-nish'-e-an
+ Shā'-drach 11		

Satan] Care must be taken not to sound this word as if spelt Sa-tn.

Sen-na-che'-rib] The Greek is $\Sigma \epsilon \nu n \alpha_{N} \eta \rho i \beta$; this accentuation therefore, is agreeable to one of Walker's rules relative to admitting the authority of the Septuagint. The word however is still commonly pronounced Sen-nach'-e-rib; and it may be justly doubted, whether this be not one of those instances in which general usage should be allowed to prevail.]

septuagint. The word nowever is still commonly pronounced sen-nach-e-rio; and it may be justly doubted, whether this be not one of those instances in which general usage should be allowed to prevail.]

Sil'-o-am] Walker admits that "this word according to the present general rule ought to have the accent on the second syllable, as it is Græcised by Σιλωάμ." But he thinks that what in his time was general usage, supported by Milton's authority, in a single instance, ought to prevail. The usage of the present day certainly inclines in this instance to the general rule.]

T.

Tab'-e-rah	$Te-ko'-a^{13}$	Thad-de'-us 13
† Ta'-bor	Tel'-a-im	The-oph'-i-lus
Tal'-i-tha Cu'-mi	Te-las'-sar	† Thes-sa-lo'-ni-
† Tē'-bah	Tha'-hash	ans 12

Tro-jii-e-um] Agreeably to Walker's Rule ix. g is soft before y, in the pronunciation of Greek and Latin proper names.

U.

U-ri'-ah	U'-rim 11	Uz-zi'-ah
U-ri'-ah	U'-rim "	Uz-zi'-ah

Z.

Za-a-na'-im	Ze-bu'-dah 13	Ze'-phon 11
Zac-che'-us	† Zeb'-ŭ-lon	Zi'-ba 11
Zak-ke'-us	+ Zē'-lah 11	Zo'-an
+ Zar'-ĕ-phath	ມາ Ze-lo′-tes	Zo'-ar
† Zar'-ĕ-phath † Zē'-ba ^{li}	·Zer-u-í-ah	Zo-rob'-a-bel 13
Ze-bo'-im		

THE END.

ERRATA.

Page	4, in the no	te. For near the conclusion read at p. xx.
		rom bottom. Dele hyphen after in.
		For disorderly read disorderly.
	49, — 19.	Dele the accent over theatrical.
	57, — 11.	Insert the grave accent (`).
	69, — 2.	Connect Thou, O Lord, by hyphens.
		Dele] after the first note.
	82, — 9.	For Section 13 read p. xxxii.
	93, 8.	For lands read lands.
	95, last note.	Dele two lines and a half, beginning at This expres-
	•	sion and ending at rose.
	150, line 6.	Separate "the Lord" from "and giver of life," by a
		comma. The true meaning appears in the Greek:
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